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Pallid Sturgeon Population Assessment and Associated Fish Community Monitoring for the Missouri River: Segment 4



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Missouri River below the confluence of the Yellowstone River is a highly dynamic system and features a diverse assemblage of habitats that typify the historic conditions of the river. The influence of the Yellowstone River and the seasonal fluctuations in the hydrograph, including the immense sediment load, greatly influence the fish community, including the pallid sturgeon.

Sampling for segment 4 started in early May. This was the second year of sampling under the standardized sampling regime devised for the Missouri River. A full compliment of standard gears were deployed during both the sturgeon and fish community seasons.

Pallid sturgeon (*Scaphrynchus albus*) is the primary target of this sampling effort. Although the population within this segment of the Missouri River is typified by older individuals with very little indication of wild fish recruitment, the stocking efforts have provided an opportunity to gain further insight into this earlier life stage.

A total of 27 pallids were captured in segment 4 in 2006, with 25 of the pallid sturgeon being captured using standard protocols and gears, while two were captured in a nonrandom bend. Seven of the pallid sturgeon were captured during the sturgeon season in May and June. The remaining 20 pallids were captured during the fish community season. In 2006, the percentage of pallids originating from previous stocking events was about 88% (N = 22), whereas in 2005, 81% of the pallids captured were hatchery stocked. Two juvenile pallid sturgeon sampled in 2006 had no previous tags or marks and are suspected to be hatchery fish stocked without tags in 2004 or 2005. Results from analysis of tissue samples sent to the Abernathy Fish Technology Center will determine genetically whether these fish are hatchery stocked or wild.

Of the three pallids that were considered wild, all three were previously captured and had PIT tags implanted. Seven of the eight year classes that have been stocked were sampled during 2006. The only year class of stocked pallid sturgeon that were not sampled was the 1999 year class. The standard trammel net accounted for 74% (N=20) of the pallid captures, while the otter trawl caught 26% (N=7). The 2005 sampling had similar results, with 77% of the pallids

captured using trammel nets and 23 % captured in otter trawls. Although age data is not available based on fork length, young of the year and one year old sturgeon were sampled. The majority of these were identified as shovelnose sturgeon. Relative condition factors for all pallid sturgeon captured during this effort ranged from 0.842 to 1.214. Growth rates for recaptured juvenile sturgeon ranged from 0.11 to 0.52 mm/day. Pallid sturgeon are widely distributed throughout this segment as they were sampled in eleven of the twelve bends. Inside bend macrohabitats produced the most pallid sturgeon followed by channel crossovers and outside bends. Channel border and island tip mesohabitats produced most of the pallid sturgeon captures.

Shovelnose sturgeon (*S. platorynchus*) were captured in trammel nets (N=298), otter trawls (N=91), and beam trawls (N=26). Sub-stock shovelnose sturgeon (FL<249 mm) made up 2.6% of the catch in trammel nets, 40% in otter trawls, and 50% of the catch in beam trawls.

In 2006, seven of the eight native Missouri River species that were targeted for this assessment were sampled. Sturgeon chub ($Macrohybopsis\ gelida$) were only sampled during the fish community season. The majority of sturgeon chub were sampled in otter trawls (N =272), with mini-fyke nets (N = 3) and beam trawls (N =266) capturing the remaining specimens. A total of 308 sicklefin chubs ($M.\ meeki$) were collected in segment 4 with most sicklefin chubs being captured in the otter trawl (N = 222). Speckled chubs ($M.\ aestivalis$) were the only targeted native species not captured in any gear. Eight sand shiners ($Notropos\ stramineus$) were sampled in 2006. Seven were captured in a mini-fyke net and 1 in the otter trawl. $Hybognathus\ spp.$ were the most abundant targeted native river species sampled. Most $Hybognathus\ spp.$ were captured during the fish community season in mini-fyke nets (N = 429). A total of 3 $Hybognathus\ spp.$ were captured in the otter trawl. A total of 13 blue suckers ($Cycleptus\ elongates$) were collected in trammel nets (N = 10) and otter trawls (N = 3). Sauger ($Sander\ canadense$) were captured in all gears during both seasons. Mini-fyke nets (N = 93) captured the most sauger, followed by trammel nets (N = 72), otter trawl (N = 19), and beam trawl (N = 6). A total of 60,908 fish representing 31 species were sampled in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2006.

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Introduction

Since 1990, when the pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*) was listed as an endangered species and 1993 when the Pallid Sturgeon Recovery Plan was implemented, the primary emphasis of restoration and recovery efforts has been to restore habitat conditions, prevent the immediate extirpation of the species, and increase our knowledge of this ancient fish. Unlike other sturgeon species in the world, very limited information has been available from the historical perspective for the pallid sturgeon, primarily due to the rare status and the lack of historic research work on the big rivers of the central United States. In the last decade, emphasis has been shifting to the development of a more thorough understanding of the species that rely and reside in these ecosystems. However, a great amount of uncertainty still exists about what is needed to prevent the pallids' extinction and how to effectively improve habitat conditions with the multitude of uses for the limited resource. Increased and sometimes conflicting uses of water in big river systems is requiring that communities, states, and the Federal Government collaboratively develop management strategies that balance the multiple uses and provide adequate habitats for the aquatic communities. This monitoring program is designed to assist in that decision process by providing trend information on the pallid sturgeon and related aquatic communities.

The strategy as outlined in the Missouri River Standard Operating Procedures for Sampling and Data Collection (SOP's) (Drobish 2006) details the methodology and information to be collected under this program. This monitoring effort is a collaborative effort of State and Federal biologists all working toward the same goals. It is considered a long term monitoring due to the need to develop trend information that describes the condition of the population and a causal relationship with the environmental conditions that exist. A great deal of variation exists within the aquatic populations, habitats, and conditions on the Missouri River.

Sampling Season and Species

This program has been developed with two sampling seasons (sturgeon and fish community) based primarily on water temperatures. The primary objective of the two seasons is to focus efforts that are

conducive to capturing sturgeon using gears that are temperature limited and utilize other gears toward the fish community during the summer and fall months.

Although gill nets appear to be an effective method for capturing sturgeon for downstream segments, with agreement from the Governance Committee, we have declined to use that method during the sturgeon season, primarily due to the lack of habitats where this gear is effective and the propensity of the gear to cause mortality. The habitats within segment 4 do not contain sufficient areas of slack water that would allow a gill net to fish effectively and would likely fill with debris to the point that either the net would be lost or cause undue mortality on captured fish.

The fish community season sampling began on July 1 and continued until late October when water temperatures reached about 9°C. Five gear types were deployed during the fish community season: mini-fyke nets, trammel nets, large mesh trammel nets, beam trawl, and the otter trawl.

Under this program, sampling is conducted at the bend level with bends randomly selected. A total of 12 bends were selected and sampled randomly with standard gears, and one additional random bend in the Yellowstone River was sampled with trammel nets and otter trawl.

During the fish community season, in addition to targeting sturgeon, the monitoring program has also selected eight native fish species to monitor to gain a greater understanding of the influences of flows and habitat usage. These species are shovelnose sturgeon, blue sucker, sauger, sturgeon chub, sicklefin chub, speckled chub, plains and western silvery minnow, and the sand shiner.

Success Criteria:

In response to the 2000 Missouri River Biological Opinion, the COE is developing monitoring and restoration projects to avoid jeopardizing pallid sturgeon populations. As part of their Implementation Plan, the COE is working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and State Resource Agencies to develop and conduct a pallid sturgeon monitoring and assessment program. Evaluation of the ultimate success will be tied directly to the biological assessment and the resulting information that these assessments provide. The following four statements may be used to determine whether success is achieved:

- 1. Develop a monitoring plan to provide the ability to detect population changes.
- 2. Develop a monitoring plan that identifies survival of hatchery reared and stocked pallid sturgeon in the river.
- 3. Develop a monitoring plan that identifies reproduction of pallid sturgeon in the Missouri River.
- 4. Develop a monitoring plan that identifies recruitment of wild pallid sturgeon in the Missouri River system.

The objectives of this program are as follows:

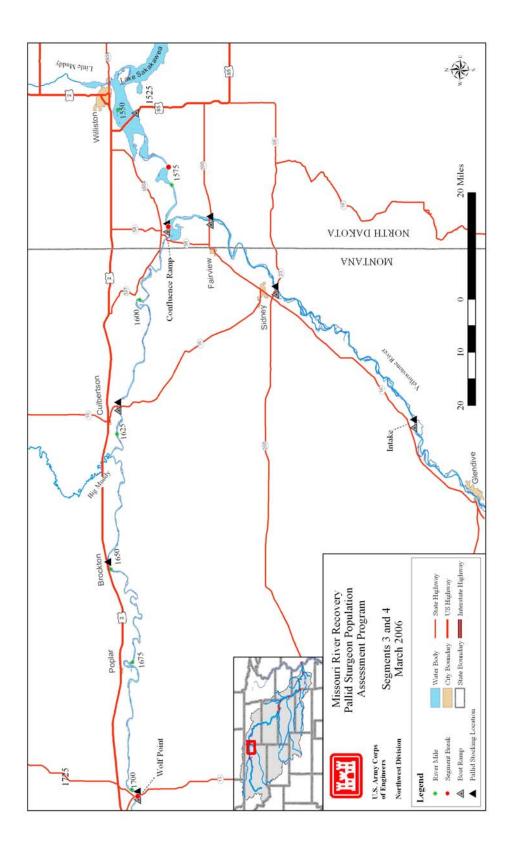
Objectives:

- 1. Document current and long-term trends in pallid sturgeon population abundance and geographic distribution throughout the Missouri River System.
- 2. Document annual results and long-term trends of habitat usage of wild pallid sturgeon and hatchery stocked pallid sturgeon by season and by life stage.
- 3. Document the population structure and dynamics of pallid sturgeon in the Missouri River system.
- 4. Document annual results and long-term trends in native target species population abundance and geographic distribution throughout the Missouri River System.
- 5. Document annual results and long-term trends of habitat usage of the native target species by season and life stage.
- 6. Document annual results and long-term trends of all non-target species population abundance and geographic distribution throughout the Missouri River system, where sample size is greater than fifty individuals.

Study Area

This program encompasses the Missouri River from Fort Peck Dam (RM 1771.5) downstream to the confluence of the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers (RM 0). During development of the methodology that would be used during monitoring efforts, the Pallid Sturgeon Population Assessment Team categorized the study area into 14 segments (Drobish, editor 2006).

Segment 4 is defined as that area of the Missouri River from the Yellowstone River Confluence (RM 1582) downstream to the headwaters of Lake Sakakawea (RM 1574) (Figure 1a). The amount of riverine habitat available for sampling in segment 4 is entirely dependant on reservoir levels. For example, in 2005 and 2006 the river reached below rivermile 1535. At full pool, the reservoir will extend as far up as rivermile 1574; however, the normal reach of river is around rivermile 1550. Although the Yellowstone River is not part of the segment, it does provide a significant amount of influence on this reach of the Missouri River. Seasonal flows, sediment load, and natural temperature fluctuations provide a semblance of the historic conditions that existed prior to development of the Missouri under the Pick Sloan plan.



historic stocking locations for pallid sturgeon. Segment 4 encompasses the Missouri River from the confluence with the Yellowstone River (River Mile 1582) through the headwaters of Lake Sakakawea (River Mile 1568). Figure 1a. Map of segments 3 and 4 of the Missouri River with major tributaries, common landmarks, and

Methods

Sampling for segment 4 was conducted in accordance with Standard Operating Procedures established by a panel of representatives from various State and Federal agencies involved with pallid recovery on the Missouri River (Drobish, 2006). The handling protocol for pallid sturgeon was followed using the guidelines established by the USFWS (Jordan 2005).

Sampling Site Selection and Description

A habitat classification system was developed by the Pallid Sturgeon Assessment Team that consists of three continuous macrohabitats found in every bend, main channel cross over, main channel outside bend, and main channel inside bend. An additional 10 discrete macrohabitats have been identified that may not be present in every bend: large tributary mouths, small tributary mouths, confluence areas, large and small secondary connected channels, non-connected secondary channels, deranged channels, braided channels, dendritic channels, and dam tailwaters. Mesohabitats have been established and defined to further classify areas within macrohabitats. Mesohabitat classifications include bars, pools, channel borders, thalweg, and island tips. Bars are sandbars or shallow bankline habitat at the area of terrestrial/aquatic interface, where water depth is less than 1.2 m deep. Pools are areas immediately downstream from sandbars, dikes, snag-piles, or other obstructions that have formed a scour hole greater than 1.2 m deep. Channel borders lie between the maximum depth and 1.2 m depth. Thalweg is the main channel between channel borders conveying the majority of flow which includes the deepest part of the main channel. Island tips are the areas immediately downstream of a bar or island where two channels converge and water depth is greater than 1.2 m. Microhabitats are used to further describe structures within mesohabitats.

Each segment was divided up into sampling units called bends where each bend begins with a channel crossover and contains both an inside bend and outside bend, and ends with the beginning of the next downstream channel crossover. Each bend can contain several macrohabitats and mesohabitats. In 2006, there were 22 bends in segment 4.

Sampling Gear

Trammel Net (TN)

The standard trammel net had a length of 38.1 m (125 ft.), with an inner mesh 2.4 m (8 ft.) deep and two outer walls 1.8 m (6 ft.) deep. The inner mesh was made up of #139 multifilament twine with a bar mesh size of 25.4 mm (1.0 inch). The outer walls were #9 multifilament twine with a bar mesh size of 203.2 mm (8.0 inch). The float line was a 12.7 mm (1/2 inch) foam core and the lead line was 22.7 kg (50 lbs.). Trammel nets were deployed from the bow of the boat and were drifted a maximum of 300 m and a minimum of 75 m after full deployment.

Otter Trawl (OT)

The standard otter trawl had a width of 4.9 m (16 ft.), height of 0.9 m (3 ft.), and a length of 7.6 m (25 ft.). The otter trawl had an inner mesh (6.35 mm (½ inch) bar, #18 polyethylene twine) and an outer mesh (38.1 mm (1.5 inch) bar, #9 polyethylene twine), with a cod-end opening of 406.4 mm (16 inch). The inner mesh had a 50.8 mm (2 inch) sleeve sewn along the top section for the insertion of a hoop to keep the net open, allowing fish to reach the cod-end of the net. Trawl doors were 762 mm (30 inches) long by 381 mm (15 inches) high by 19.1 mm (3/4 inch) thick with 12.7 mm (1/2 inch) thick heavy steel runners. The doors were made from marine grade plywood and were used to keep the trawl open and on the river bottom. A 7.9 m (26 ft.) long, 3.2 m (1/8 inch) tickler chain was attached to the bottom front of the trawl for added strength and to disturb the river bottom. Two 30.5 m (100 ft.), 19.1 mm (3/4 inch) thick braided Tenex ropes were attached to each door and tied to the bow railings of the boat. The otter trawl was deployed from the bow of the boat and fished downstream at a rate slightly faster than the current. Each trawl sample covered a minimum of 75 m (246 ft.) and a maximum of 300 m (984 ft.) depending on the habitat being sampled.

Beam Trawl (BT)

The beam trawl was used in segment 1-4 during the fish community season in 2006. The trawl had a width of 2 m (6.4 ft), height of 0.5 m (1.6 ft), and a length of 5.5 m (18 ft). The beam had an inner mesh 0.476 cm (3/16 inch) and an outer chaffing mesh 3.81 cm (1.5 inch) with a 16.5 cm (6.5 in) cod opening. The trawl was attached to a 2 m (6.4 ft) long by 0.5 m (1.6 ft) high steel trawl frame. Two

30.5 m (100 ft), 1.91 cm (3/4 inch) thick braided Tenex ropes were attached to the frame and tied to the bow railings of the boat. The beam trawl was deployed from the bow of the boat and towed downstream at a rate slightly faster then the current. Each trawl sample covered a minimum of 75 m (246 ft) and a maximum of 300 m (984 ft) depending on the habitat being sampled. Paired samples were conducted using the beam trawl and otter trawl in all twelve randomly selected bends. One gear was deployed in all available macrohabitats within a random bend and the next day the other gear was used to sample the same macrohabitats of the same bend.

Mini-Fyke Nets (MF)

The standard mini-fyke nets consisted of two rectangular frames 1.2 m (4 ft.) wide by 0.6 m (2 ft.) long, and two 0.6 m (2 ft.) hoops made of 0.63 cm (1/4 inch) black oil-tempered spring steel. A 4.5 m (15 ft.) long and 0.6 m (2 ft.) lead was connected to the second rectangular frame. The mesh for the frame and lead was made up of 3 mm (1/8 inch) "ace" mesh that was coated for protection. The lead had foam floats on the top and bulleted lead weights on the bottom. Mini-fyke nets were set as perpendicular to shore when possible, but a slight downstream set was used more frequently to prevent the net from rolling over in the current. Mini-fyke nets were set in the evening and pulled the next morning with the optimum duration of a set being 18 hours.

During the 2006 fish community season, a new gear was implemented on an experimental basis, "delta" mini-fyke nets. In 2005, we found that the standard mini-fyke nets made with "ace" mesh were not durable when used in segment 4. All of the mini-fyke nets deployed last year sustained damage ranging from several small tears to large holes in the mesh. This damage caused the loss of catch and loss of time due to repairs. More durable mini-fyke nets made of "delta" mesh were compared to the standard mini-fyke nets made of "ace" mesh in 2006. The specifications of the "delta" nets were identical to the "ace" nets with the exception of the mesh material.

Data Collection and Analysis

Associated Environmental Data

GPS locations were taken for each sample using a WAAS enabled GPS receiver with submeter accuracy. Temperature and depth were also recorded at each sampling location. Substrate, velocity, and turbidity were collected randomly for 25% of the mesohabitat types within each macrohabitat. Substrate was sampled using a Hesse sampler and reported as a percentage of silt/sand/gravel within each sample. Velocity was taken at three depths in the water column, bottom, 80%, and 20% of the depth using a Marsh-McBirney Flo-Mate 2000 velocity meter. Turbidity was collected using a Hach 2100P turbidimeter and recorded as NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units). Additionally, these measurements were collected whenever a pallid sturgeon was sampled.

Genetic Validation

Genetic samples were taken from all unmarked pallids and potential hybrid sturgeon following the protocol outlined in the SOP's (Drobish 2006). Two fin clips (approximately 1 cm² each) were removed from each fish using surgical scissors and forceps. The samples were placed in two separate tubes with 95% non-denatured ethanol and sealed in a plastic bag along with a sturgeon genetic card that contained all the pertinent information for that fish. All genetic samples were sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Abernathy Fish Technology Center for analysis and archiving.

Relative Condition

The relative condition of recaptured hatchery reared pallid sturgeon was calculated using Kn = (W / W'), where W is weight of the individual and W' is the length-specific mean weight predicted by the weight-length equation calculated for that population. Keenlyne and Evanson (1993) provided a weight-length regression [log_{10} W = -6.378 + 3.357 log_{10} L (r^2 = 0.9740)] for pallid sturgeon throughout its range which was used to calculate a relative condition factor.

Relative Stock Densities

A length frequency index measures changes in fish population structure. Length categories based on the percentage of the largest known pallid sturgeon are as follows (Gablehouse 1984): sub-stock fork length <330 mm (20%), stock fork length = 330 – 629 mm (20-36%), quality fork length = 630 – 839 mm (36-45%), preferred fork length = 840 – 1039 mm (45-59%), memorable fork length = 1040 – 1269 mm (59-74%), and trophy fork length >1270 mm (>74%) (Shuman et al, 2006).

Length categories based on the percentage of the largest known shovelnose sturgeon are as follows: sub-stock fork length <250 mm (20%), stock fork length =250-379 mm (20-36%), quality fork length =380-509 mm (36-45%), preferred fork length =510-639 mm (45-59%), memorable fork length =640-809 mm (59-74%), and trophy fork length >810 mm (>74%). Proportional Stock Density (PSD) is the proportion of fish of quality size in a stock. Relative Stock Density (RSD) is the proportion of fish of a size group in a stock (Quist 1998).

Analyses

A sample target for each gear was defined as follows: 300 m drift (TN), 300 m tow (OT and BT), and one overnight set (MF). A minimum effort of 75 m for TN, OT, and BT was accepted in some habitats because certain areas have so much debris that long drifts/tows are not possible. Also, due to the length of some habitats available in a bend and the distance required to deploy and retrieve the trawls, it was not possible to sample 300 m without sampling an adjacent habitat. Effort was calculated for trammel nets and trawls as fish per 100 m sampled. Effort was calculated for MF nets as catch per net night. Samples that occurred outside of the "standard" gear or habitat effort or samples that occurred in "non-random" bends were excluded from CPUE calculations. These data were included into length frequencies, relative condition, and population structure calculations.

Results

Pallid Sturgeon

A total of 27 pallid sturgeon were captured in segment 4 for the sampling conducted during the 2006 sturgeon and fish community seasons. Of these, 22 were considered originating from previous hatchery stocking while three of these were considered as wild (Figure 9.). Two juvenile pallid sturgeon that were sampled were unmarked and deemed unknown pending genetic verification.

Fork lengths (FL) of pallid sturgeon sampled in segment 4 ranged from 190 – 1410 mm. This segment is typified by an aging adult population with recruitment resulting from previous augmentation efforts as shown by the length frequency histogram (Figure 8). Almost all the previous year classes of augmented pallids were sampled during 2006, with the exception of the 1999 and 2006 year classes. Comparing recapture information with the information from the time of stocking is showing that these stocked fish are growing at a range of rates (0.109 – 0.353 mm/day) (Table 6.). Data was very limited for calculating relative weights and condition factors on each year class (Table 6). Relative Stock Density was calculated for pallid sturgeon (Table 7).

All untagged juvenile sturgeon (N = 2) that were suspected as being a possible pallid were genetically sampled for submission to the Abernathy Fish Technology Center (FTC) for analysis and archiving.

Tag retention has always been an extremely important aspect of the evaluation of pallid sturgeon augmentation efforts. Of the 27 pallids captured, three pallids were considered wild and were recaptures from previous sampling efforts and had retained their PIT tags. The remaining 22 pallid sturgeon had some type of mark that allowed designation as a fish stocked previously. From the year classes, we can outline some of the retention rates. For the 1997 year class (N=3), all fish had PIT tags and elastomer was present; for the 2001 year

class (N=4), three had retained their PIT tags and the other did not (based on elastomer); and for the 2002 year class (N=6), five fish retained a PIT tag. The 2003 and the 2004 year classes do not allow this type of documentation primarily due to the 2003 year class being stocked with similar elastomer and some fish being stocked without a PIT tag. The pallids originating from the 2004 year class were stocked without PIT tags. Three pallids sampled from the 2005 year class were stocked as fingerlings in the fall of 2005 and were too small to PIT tag prior to stocking.

Utilization of a ratio of pallid sturgeon to shovelnose sturgeon to quantify abundance dates back to early commercial records and field studies (Bailey and Cross, 1954, Fisher, 1962). The 2006 sampling resulted in a ratio of pallid to shovelnose of 1 to 15.4. No known hybrids were collected during this effort.

Table 1. Number of bends sampled, mean effort per bend (mean number of deployments), and total effort by macrohabitat (total number of deployments) for segment 4 on the Missouri River during fall through spring (sturgeon season) and summer (fish community season) in 2005 – 2006. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

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Gear	Number of Bends	Mean Effort														
	of Bellus	Elloit	BRAD	CHXO	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
Fall through Spring - Sturgeon Season																
1 Inch Trammel Net	12	8.6	N-E	24	-	N-E	N-E	38	31	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	ı	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	12	8.5	N-E	24	-	N-E	N-E	32	27	9	10	-	-	-	-	-
					Sumn	ner – Fi	sh Comi	nunity	y Seaso	n						
1 Inch Trammel Net	12	10.2	N-E	30	-	N-E	N-E	38	35	8	11	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	12	8.2	N-E	24	-	N-E	N-E	33	33	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Mini-Fyke Net	12	7.5	N-E	7	-	N-E	N-E	35	6	23	13	5	-	-	1	-
Otter Trawl	12	8.9	N-E	29	-	N-E	N-E	35	35	5	3	-	-	-	-	-

Table 2. Number of bends sampled, mean effort per bend (mean number of deployments), and total effort by mesohabitat (total number of deployments) for segment 4 in the Missouri River during fall through spring (sturgeon season) and summer (fish community season) in 2005 - 2006. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	Number of	Mean Effort			Mesohabitat							
Gear	bends	Mean Enort	BAR	POOL	CHNB	TLWG	ITIP					
	Fall through Spring – Sturgeon Season											
1 Inch Trammel Net	12	8.6	-	-	97	-	6					
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Beam Trawl	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Gill Net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Otter Trawl	12	8.5	-	-	88	-	14					
		St	ummer – Fish Co	ommunity Seaso	n							
1 Inch Trammel Net	12	10.2	1	-	102	-	19					
Beam Trawl	12	8.2	-	-	92	-	6					
Mini-Fyke Net	12	7.5	71	-	1	-	18					
Otter Trawl	12	8.9	-	-	101	-	6					

Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon Captures by River Mile

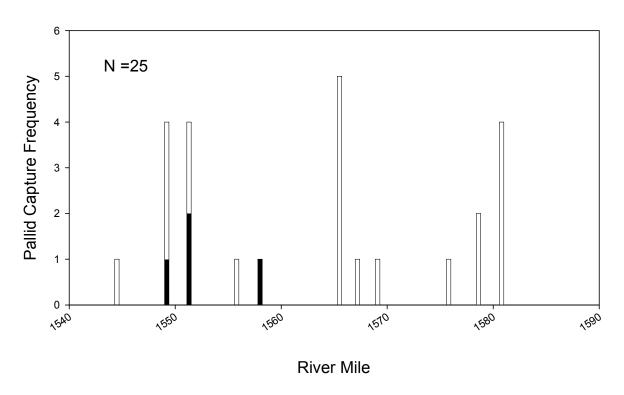


Figure 1b. Distribution of pallid sturgeon captures by river mile for segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005-2006. Black bars represent pallid captures during Sturgeon Season and white bars during Fish Community Season. Figure includeds all pallid captures including non-random and wild samples.

Table 3. Pallid sturgeon (PDSG) capture summaries for all gears relative to habitat type and environmental variables on the Missouri River during 2005-2006. Means (minimum and maximum) are presented. Habitat definitions and codes presented in Appendix B. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Macro-	Meso-	Depth (m) (Effort)	Depth (m) (Catch)	Bottom Velocity (m/s) (Effort)	Bottom Velocity (m/s) (Catch)	Temp. °C (Effort)	Temp. °C (Catch)	Turbidity (ntu) (Effort)	Turbidity (ntu) (Catch)	Total Pallids caught
BRAD	BAR	N-E								
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
CHXO	BAR	0.6 (0.4-0.9)				13.5 (7.6-20.1)		45 (28-64)		0
	POOL									
	CHNB	3.4 (1-8)	2.5 (2.2-3.5)	0.7 (0.29-1.26)	0.54 (0.39-0.64)	19.1 (5.7-26.4)	18.1 (10.1-21.7)	103 (26-654)	42 (26-65)	7
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
CONF	BAR									
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
DEND	BAR	N-E								
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									

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Macro-	Meso-	Depth (m) (Effort)	Depth (m) (Catch)	Bottom Velocity (m/s) (Effort)	Bottom Velocity (m/s) (Catch)	Temp. °C (Effort)	Temp. °C (Catch)	Turbidity (ntu) (Effort)	Turbidity (ntu) (Catch)	Total Pallids caught
DRNG	BAR	N-E								
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
ISB	BAR	0.5 (0.3-1.3)		0.37 (0.37-0.37		16.6 (5.6-28.1)		59 (27-270)		
	POOL									
	CHNB	2.7 (1.1-6.7)	3.1 (1.4-6.7	0.63 (0.11-1.2)	0.64 (0.27-1.2)	18.7 (5.6-26.8)	16.3 (5.6-25.2)	107 (31-668)	78 (47-168)	10
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
OSB	BAR	0.5 (0.4-0.6)				15.8 (9.9-27.1)		52 (43-67)		
	POOL									
	CHNB	3.9 (0.4-8.9)	4.3 (3.6-6.1)	0.71 (0.02-1.46)	0.57 (0.44-0.77)	18.9 (5.6-27.1)	20.3 (9.9-22.9)	102 (30-690)	46 (39-60)	5
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
SCCL	BAR	0.5 (0.3-0.6)				23.7 (10.6-28.1)		43 (27-68)		
	POOL									
	CHNB	1.5 (1.2-2.1)		0.57 (0.36-0.83)		21.8 (17.2-26.1)		196 (49-659)		
	TLWG									
	ITIP	1.6 (0.3-4.4)		0.59 (0.38-0.85)		22.9 (17.2-27)		95 (26-689)		
SCCS	BAR	0.5 (0.4-0.6)				19.4 (9.6-27.1)		64 (31-130)		
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP	1.8 (0.3-4.6)	3.6 (3.3-3.7)	0.55 (0.2-0.74)	0.47 (0.47-0.47)	22.7 (9.6-28.7)	22.2 (22.2-22.3)	79 (44-178)	66 (66-66)	3

Table 3 (continued).

Macro-	Meso-	Depth (m) (Effort)	Depth (m) (Catch)	Bottom Velocity (m/s) (Effort)	Bottom Velocity (m/s) (Catch)	Temp. °C (Effort)	Temp. °C (Catch)	Turbidity (ntu) (Effort)	Turbidity (ntu) (Catch)	Total Pallids caught
SCCN	BAR	0.6 (0.4-0.8)				16.9 (7.4-26.1)		36 (19-62)		
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
TRIB	BAR									
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
TRML	BAR									
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
TRMS	BAR	0.4 (0.4-0.4)				26.8 (26.7-26.8)		97 (97-97)		
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									
WILD	BAR									
	POOL									
	CHNB									
	TLWG									
	ITIP									

Table 6. Mean fork length, weight, relative condition factor (Kn), growth rates, and water temperature for hatchery-reared pallid sturgeon captures by year class at the time of stocking and recapture during 2006 from segment 4 of the Missouri River. Relative condition factor was calculated using the equation in Keenlyne and Evanson (1993). Standard error (+/- 2SE) was calculated where N>1 and is represented on second line of each year.

Year 🗽		S	tock Data	ı	Rec	apture Da	ata	Growth Data					
class	N	Length (mm)	Weight (g)	Kn	Length (mm)	Weight (g)	Kn	Length (mm/d)	Weight (g/d)				
1997	4				563	607.5	0.846						
1997	4				27	65.5	0.055						
2001	3	260			422	233.3	0.876	0.105					
2001	3				19	35.3	0.246						
2002	6	6	287	74	1.212	405	212.3	0.891	0.109	0.05			
2002	O	20	14	0.079	23	36.4	0.069	0.023	0.185				
2003													
2003													
2004	2				334	147.5	1.16						
2004	2				70	85	0.131						
2005	4	4	4	4	4	288			289	93.8	1.143	0.353	
2003	4	16			60	49.9	0.163	0.317					
2006													
2000													

Table 7. Incremental relative stock density (RSD)^a and relative condition factor (Kn) for all pallid sturgeon captured with all gear by a length category during 2005-2006 in the Missouri River. Length categories^b determined using the methods proposed by Shuman et al. (2006). Relative condition factor was calculated using the equation in Keenlyne and Evanson (1993).

Length Category	N	RSD	Kn (+/- 2SE)									
Sturgeon Season												
Sub-stock (0-199)	1		1.187									
Sub-stock (200-329)	4		0.842 (0.059)									
Stock	0											
Quality	0											
Preferred	0											
Memorable	0											
Trophy	0											
Overall Kn			0.911 (0.145)									
	Fish Comm	nunity Season										
Sub-stock (0-199)	0											
Sub-stock (200-329)	4		1.214 (0.177)									
Stock	13	81	0.942 (0.075)									
Quality	0											
Preferred	1	6	1.065									
Memorable	0	0										
Trophy	2	13	1.039 (0.128)									
Overall Kn			1.013 (0.073)									

 $[^]a$ RSD = (# of fish of a specified length class / # of fish ≥ minimum stock length fish) * 100. b Length categories based on the percentage of the largest known pallid sturgeon: Sub-stock FL < 330 mm (20%), Stock FL = 330 - 629 mm (20 - 36%), Quality FL = 630 - 839 mm (36 - 45%), Preferred FL = 840 - 1039 mm (45 - 59%), Memorable FL = 1040 - 1269 mm (59 - 74%), Trophy FL > 1270 mm (>74%).

Year comparisons, Gear evaluation and Habitat associations

Sampling efforts during the 2006 sturgeon season resulted in the capture of seven pallid sturgeon. Eighteen pallids were collected during fish community season. The previous year's sturgeon season sampling resulted in two pallid captures, while 29 were sampled during the fish community season. In 2006, we captured 22 hatchery stocked and three wild pallid sturgeon. Trammel nets accounted for 18 (72%) of these pallids, with seven (28%) captured with the otter trawl. The 2005 sampling resulted in the capture of 25 hatchery stocked and six wild pallid sturgeon, with trammel nets accounting for 24 (77%) of these captures, while the remaining seven (23%) were sampled using the otter trawl. Catch per unit effort (CPUE) for 2006 was greatest for both hatchery and wild pallids in trammel nets during the fish community season (0.04 and 0.02 per 100 m, respectively). In 2005, CPUE of hatchery and wild pallid sturgeon was greatest using trammel nets during the fish community season (0.062 and 0.012, respectively). Otter trawls had similar results for the fish community season in 2006 as in 2005. Catch per unit effort for hatchery pallid sturgeon using the otter trawl during the 2006 fish community season was 0.021 fish/100 m, while in 2005 the CPUE was 0.02 fish/100m. Catch per unit effort for wild pallid sturgeon in the otter trawl was the same in 2005 and 2006 (0.004 fish per 100 m) (Figures 2-7). Mini-fyke nets and beam trawls did not catch any pallid sturgeon during the fish community season.

All 27 pallid sturgeon captured in 2006 were the result of random sampling in random bends. Two pallids were collected while sampling the first random bend in the Yellowstone River. In 2006, pallid sturgeon were sampled in 11 of the 12 random bends (Figure 1b). During 2005 sampling, pallids were captured in 13 of 14 bends (including two nonrandom bends). In 2006, most pallid sturgeon (N=10) were captured on inside bend macrohabitats, followed by channel crossovers (N=8), outside bends (N=4), and small secondary channels (N=3). The majority of pallids were found in channel border mesohabitats (N=21) followed by island tips (N=3) (Tables 9-16).

The habitat conditions in this segment are extremely variable and diverse. The turbidity experienced from the sampled macrohabitats ranged from 19 to 690 nephelometric turbidity units (ntu), while the turbidity during captures of pallid sturgeon ranged from 26 to 168 ntu.

Water velocities also varied with measured velocities ranging from 0.02 to 1.46 meters/second (m/s), while pallid captures experienced water velocities that ranged from 0.27 to 1.2 m/s. This segment of the monitoring effort experiences significant swings in temperature (5.6-28.1° C). Pallids were captured at a range of temperatures from 5.6 to 25.2° Celsius. Measured depths at the point of capture for pallid sturgeon ranged from 1.4 to 6.7 meters (m). (Table 3)

Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon / Sturgeon Season

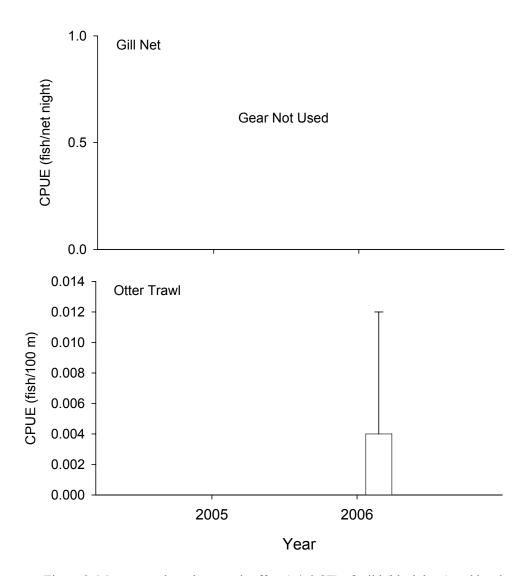


Figure 2. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2 SE) of wild (black bars) and hatchery reared (white bars) pallid sturgeon using gill nets and otter trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006. All pallid sturgeon that were captured with no evidence of previously being tagged were deemed wild pending genetic verification.

Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon / Sturgeon Season

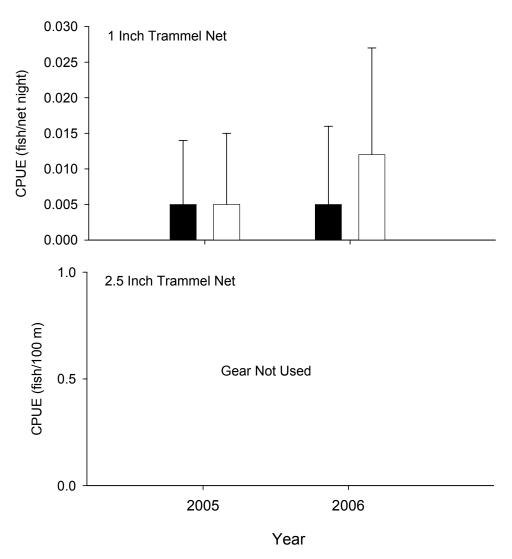


Figure 3. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2 SE) of wild (black bars) and hatchery reared (white bars) pallid sturgeon using 1 and 2.5 inch trammel nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006. All pallid sturgeon that were captured with no evidence of previously being tagged were deemed wild pending genetic verification.

Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon / Sturgeon Season

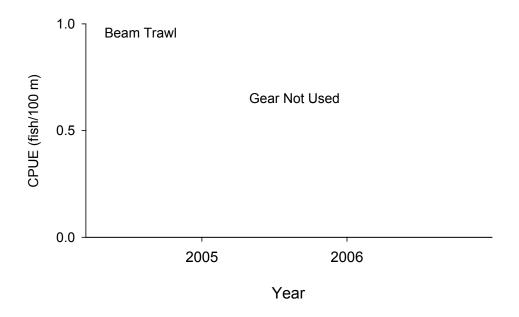


Figure 4. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2 SE) of wild (black bars) and hatchery reared (white bars) pallid sturgeon using beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006. All pallid sturgeon that were captured with no evidence of previously being tagged were deemed wild pending genetic verification.

Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon / Fish Community Season

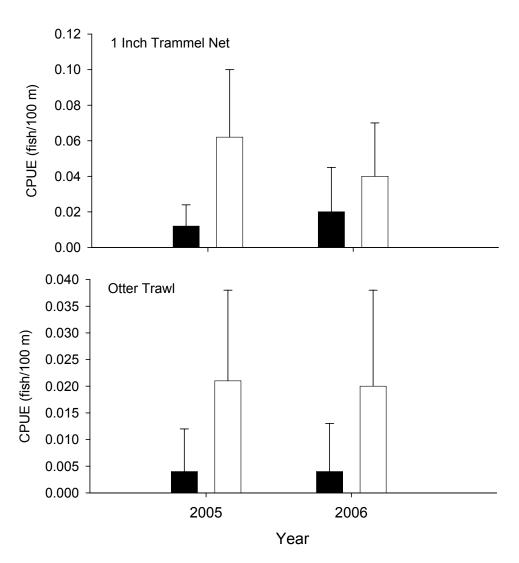


Figure 5. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2 SE) of wild (black bars) and hatchery reared (white bars) pallid sturgeon using 1 inch trammel nets and otter trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006. All pallid sturgeon that were captured with no evidence of previously being tagged were deemed wild pending genetic verification.

Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon / Fish Community Season

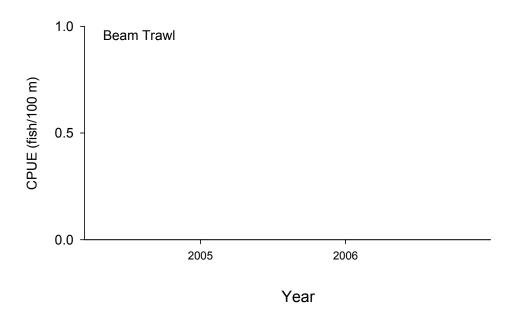


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Segment 4 - Pallid Sturgeon / Fish Community Season

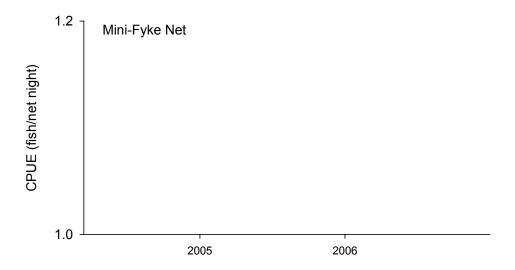


Figure 7. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2 SE) of wild (black bars) and hatchery reared (white bars) pallid sturgeon using mini-fyke nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006. All pallid sturgeon that were captured with no evidence of previously being tagged were deemed wild pending genetic verification.

Table 9. Total number of sub-stock size (0-199 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	ı	ı	N-E	N-E	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (33)	0 (27)	0 (9)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (35)	0 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (34)	0 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 10. Total number of sub-stock size (0-199 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Gear	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
I inch i rammei Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Beam Trawl	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Gill Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Ou T 1	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Otter Trawl	0	(0)	(91)	(9)		
·		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
I men Trammer Net	U	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Eyko Not	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	0	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci IIawi	· ·	(0)	(96)	(4)		

Table 11. Total number of sub-stock size (200-329 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall 1	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	1	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	100 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (33)	0 (27)	0 (9)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	2	N-E	50 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	50 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (35)	0 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	3	N-E	100 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (34)	0 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 12. Total number of sub-stock size (200-329 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Gear	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	1	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
I inch I rammel Net	1	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Beam Trawl	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Gill Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Ou T 1	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Otter Trawl	0	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	2	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
I men Trammer Net	2	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Euko Not	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	0	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	3	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci Ilawi	3	(0)	(96)	(4)		

Table 13. Total number of stock size (330-629 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	n (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	3	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	100 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	1	-	-	ı	ı	-	-	-
Gill Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	1	N-E	0 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	100 (33)	0 (27)	0 (9)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish (Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	9	N-E	11 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	22 (32)	33 (30)	0 (4)	33 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (35)	0 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	3	N-E	33 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	33 (34)	33 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 14. Total number of stock size (330-629 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Ccai	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 In als Transmal Nat	2	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	3	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Beam Trawl	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Gill Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Ou T 1	1	100	0	0	N-E	N-E
Otter Trawl	1	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		<u> </u>
1 Inch Trammel Net	9	0	67	33	N-E	N-E
1 men Trammer Net	9	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Dealli IIawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini-Fyke Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
IVIIIII-1' YKE INEL	<u> </u>	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	3	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Out Hawi	3	(0)	(96)	(4)		

Table 15. Total number of quality size and greater (\geq 630 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

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Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	0	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (33)	0 (27)	0 (9)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	2	N-E	50 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	50 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (35)	0 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	1	N-E	100 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (34)	0 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 16. Total number of quality size and greater (\geq 630 mm) pallid sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 7. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Gear	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 I 1 T 1 N 4	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Beam Trawl	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Gill Net	0	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Ou T 1	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Otter Trawl	0	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	2	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
1 men Trammer Net	2	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Dealli ITawi	0	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini-Fyke Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
IVIIIII-1' YKE INEL	U	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	1	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci Hawi	1	(0)	(96)	(4)		

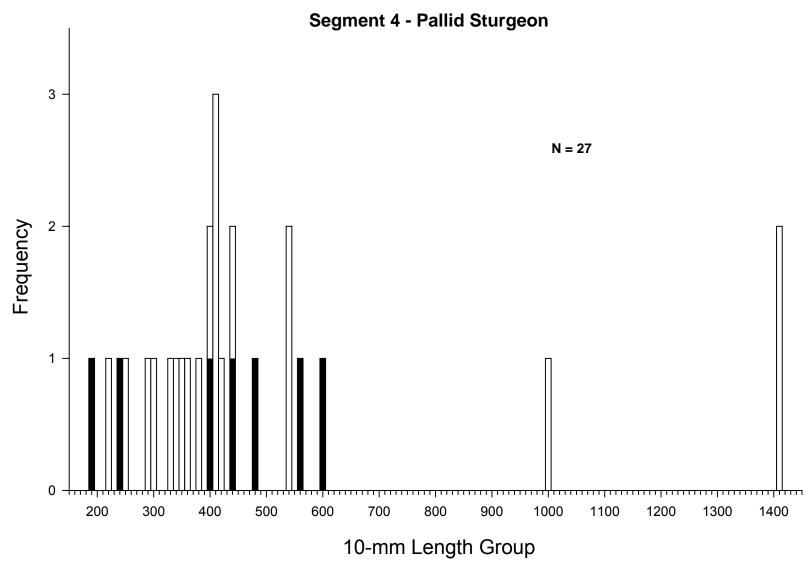


Figure 8. Length frequency of pallid sturgeon captured during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006 including non-random and wild samples.

Segment 4 - Annual Pallid Sturgeon Capture History

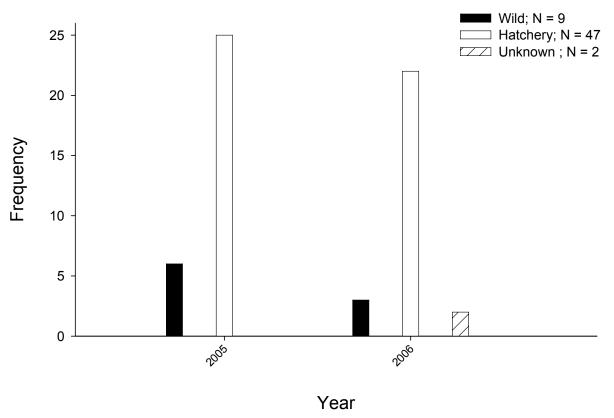


Figure 9. Annual capture history of wild (black bars) and hatchery reared (white bars) pallid sturgeon collected in segment 4 of the Missouri River from 2005 to 2006. Figure is designed to compare overall pallid sturgeon captures from year to year and may be biased by variable effort between years.

Shovelnose X Pallid Sturgeon Hybrids

No shovelnose x pallid sturgeon hybrids were sampled during 2006.

Shovelnose Sturgeon

A total of 415 shovelnose sturgeon were captured in segment 4 for the sampling conducted during the 2006 sturgeon and fish community seasons. The standard trammel net accounted for 298 (71%) of the captured shovelnose, with 91 (22%) captured with the otter trawl, and 26 (7%) captured in the beam trawl.

Catch per unit effort of substock size class (FL 150-249 mm) shovelnose sturgeon in trammel nets during the sturgeon season in 2006 was 0.015 fish/100 m. During the 2005 sturgeon season, there were no substock size shovelnose sturgeon sampled. Stock size (FL 250-379 mm) CPUE was 0.044 fish/100 m in 2006 compared to 0.032 fish/100 m in the 2005 sturgeon season. The CPUE for quality and above shovelnose sturgeon during the 2005 sturgeon season was 0.042 fish/100 m, whereas during the 2006 sturgeon season the CPUE for quality and above was 0.069 fish/100 m (Figure 12).

During the 2006 fish community season, the CPUE of substock (FL 150-249mm) shovelnose in trammel nets was 0.024 fish/100 m. Catch per unit effort of the same size class last year was 0.01 fish/100 m. Stock size (FL 250-379 mm) shovelnose were captured at a rate of 0.141 and 0.071 fish per 100 m during the 2006 and 2005 fish community season, respectively. Quality size and greater (FL>380 mm) catch of shovelnose in 2006 was 0.213 fish/100 m. During the 2005 fish community season, CPUE of quality and greater shovelnose sturgeon in trammel nets was 0.173 fish/100 m (Figure 14).

The otter trawl was not deployed during the 2005 sturgeon season, but in 2006 it was used in all twelve random bends during the sturgeon season. The CPUE of substock (FL 0-149 mm) and substock (FL 150-249 mm) in the otter trawl was 0.004 and 0.079 fish/100 m, respectively. Catch per unit effort of stock size shovelnose sturgeon in the otter trawl during the sturgeon season was 0.019 fish/100 m. Quality and above size class CPUE effort was 0.047 fish/100 m (Figure 11).

Catch per unit effort of shovelnose sturgeon in the otter trawl during fish community was higher for two size classes in 2006 than 2005. Catch per unit effort of substock (FL 150-249 mm) and stock size class was 0.025 and 0.046 fish/100 m, respectively, in 2006. During the 2005 fish

community, the CPUE for the same size classes was 0.016 fish/100m for substock and 0.029 fish/100 m for stock. Substock size (FL 0-149 mm) and stock and above size class CPUE during the 2006 fish community season was 0.025 fish/100 m and 0.086 fish/100m, respectively. During the 2005 fish community season, the CPUE for substock size (FL 0-149 mm) shovelnose sturgeon in the otter trawl was 0.198 fish/100m and for stock and above size class it was 0.132 fish/100 m (Figure 14).

The beam trawl was deployed in all twelve random bends during the 2006 fish community season. Catch per unit effort for substock size (FL 0-149 mm) shovelnose was 0.038 fish/100 m and 0.019 fish/100 m for substock size class (FL 150-249 mm). Stock size class CPUE was 0.017 fish/100 m and 0.042 fish/100 m for stock and above size class shovelnose sturgeon (Figure 16).

Fork lengths (FL) of shovelnose sturgeon ranged from 32 – 890 mm for the segment 4 sampling season. Based on length frequency histogram, there appears to be three significant size classes (Figure 17). Although specific age data was not available at the time of this analysis, previous work (Pierce et al., 2003) suggests these size classes are made up of several year classes. Relative Stock Density (RSD) values suggest that recruitment is occurring as fish in all size classes were captured.

Segment 4 - Shovelnose Sturgeon / Sturgeon Season

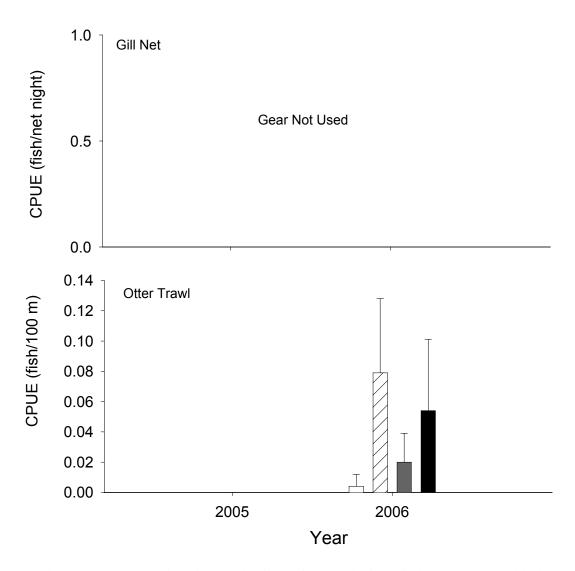


Figure 11. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sub-stock size (0-149 mm; white bars), sub-stock size (150-249; cross-hatched), stock size (250-379 mm; gray bars), and quality and above size (> 380 mm; black bars) shovelnose sturgeon using gill nets and otter trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Shovelnose Sturgeon / Sturgeon Season

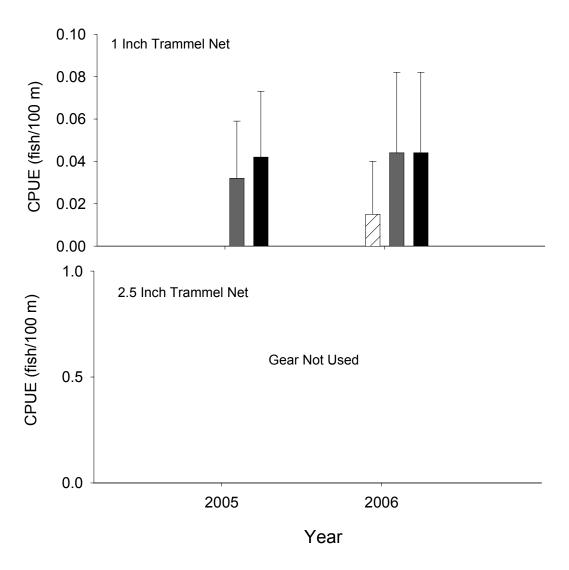


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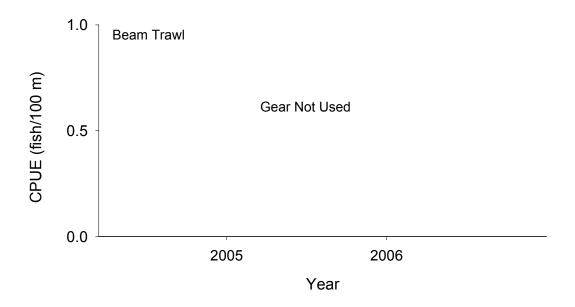


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Segment 4 - Shovelnose Sturgeon / Fish Community Season

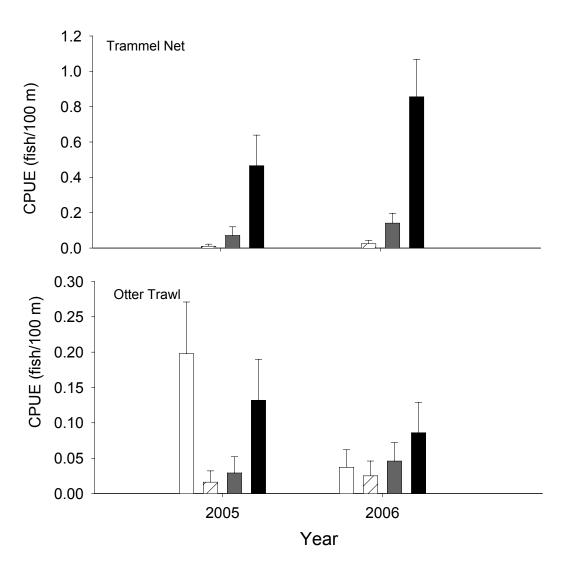


Figure 14. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sub-stock size (0-149 mm; white bars), sub-stock size (150-249; cross-hatched), stock size (250-379 mm; gray bars), and quality and above size (> 380 mm; black bars) shovelnose sturgeon in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Shovelnose Sturgeon / Fish Community Season

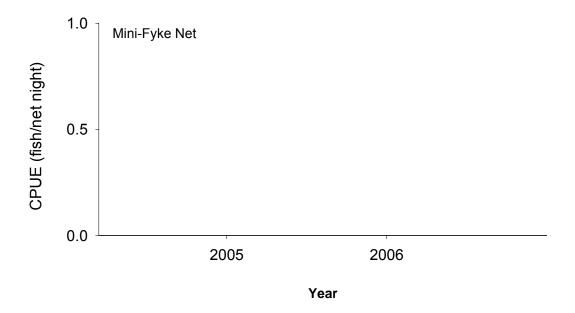


Figure 15. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sub-stock size (0-149 mm; white bars), sub-stock size (150-249; cross-hatched), stock size (250-379 mm; gray bars), and quality and above size (> 380 mm; black bars) shovelnose sturgeon using mini-fyke nets and bag seines in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Shovelnose Sturgeon / Fish Community Season

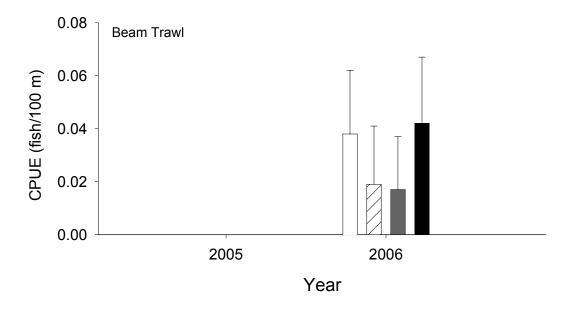


Figure 16. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sub-stock size (0-149 mm; white bars), sub-stock size (150-249; cross-hatched), stock size (250-379 mm; gray bars), and quality and above size (> 380 mm; black bars) shovelnose sturgeon using beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Habitat Use

Macrohabitats where shovelnose sturgeon were primarily captured included inside and outside bends, channel crossovers, tributary, and large connected secondary channels. For sub-stock sized (0-149 mm) shovelnose (N=21), inside bend and outside bend macrohabitats were dominant habitats where these fish were collected. The sub-stock (150-249) shovelnose (N=38) were sampled in the inside and outside bends, channel crossovers, and large connected secondary channel macrohabitats while the habitats associated with the stock size (250-379 mm) shovelnose (N=62) captures were mainly inside and outside bends. The quality and above size class (>380 mm) shovelnose sturgeon (N=248) were associated with inside and outside bends, channel crossovers, large connected secondary channels, and small connected secondary channels (Tables 17, 19, 21, 23). The mesohabitats associated with shovelnose sturgeon captures were primarily classified as channel border and island tips (Tables 18, 20, 22, 24). Sand substrate dominated the sampling area and is the predominant substrate found within the segment.

Table 17. Total number of sub-stock size (0-149 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	CHXO	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E		-	N-E	N-E	1 1	1 1	-	-	-	1 1	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	- -	- -	-	-	-	-	-	- -
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	- -	N-E	N-E			- -	-	- -		- -	- -	- -
Otter Trawl	1	N-E	0 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	100 (33)	0 (27)	0 (9)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish (Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	9	N-E	22 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	56 (35)	22 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	11	N-E	9 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	64 (34)	27 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 18. Total number of sub-stock size (0-149 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Geal	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Sea	ason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
i inch frammei Net	U	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 men Trannier Net	_	-	ı	-		
Beam Trawl	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi		-	-	-		
Gill Net	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
diii 140t		-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	1	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Otter Trawr	<u> </u>	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Comr	nunity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 men trammer ivet	O .	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	9	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	9	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini-Fyke Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
IVIIIII-I' YKE INCL	<u> </u>	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	11	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci IIawi	11	(0)	(96)	(4)		

Table 19. Total number of sub-stock size (150-249 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	CHXO	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall 1	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	3	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	100 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	_	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	17	N-E	29 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	29 (33)	12 (27)	12 (9)	18 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	7	N-E	14 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	29 (32)	57 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	4	N-E	50 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (35)	0 (34)	50 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	7	N-E	0 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	57 (34)	14 (32)	14 (3)	14 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 20. Total number of sub-stock size (150-249 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Geal	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 I 1. T 1 N . 4	2	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	3	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 men Trannier Net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	-	-	-	-		
Gill Net	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Olli Net	-	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	17	0	82	18	N-E	N-E
Out Hawl	1 /	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	7	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
I men Hammet Net	/	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	4	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	4	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Euleo Not	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net		(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	7	0	86	14	N-E	N-E
Out Hawi	′	(0)	(96)	(4)		

Table 21. Total number of stock size (250-379 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005–2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N	Macrohabitat													
		BRAD	CHXO	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
Sturgeon Season (Fall through Spring)															
1 Inch Trammel Net	6	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	33 (38)	33 (30)	33 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-		-	-	-		-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E		-	N-E	N-E	1 1	1 1	-	-	-	1 1	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	5	N-E	20 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	20 (33)	20 (27)	20 (9)	20 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish (Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	34	N-E	18 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	41 (32)	35 (30)	3 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	3	N-E	0 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	33 (35)	33 (34)	33 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	14	N-E	14 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	57 (34)	29 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 22. Total number of stock size (250-379 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N	Mesohabitat								
Geal	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG				
	·	Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)						
1 I1. T 1 N - 4	(0	83	17	N-E	N-E				
1 Inch Trammel Net	6	(0)	(97)	(3)						
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E				
2.5 men tranimer net	_	-	-	-						
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E				
Dealli ITawi	_	-	-	-						
Gill Net	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E				
Olli Net	_	-	-	-						
Otter Trawl	5	0	80	20	N-E	N-E				
Ouci mawi	3	(0)	(91)	(9)						
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	34	0	94	6	N-E	N-E				
1 men Trammer Net	34	(1)	(86)	(13)						
Beam Trawl	3	0	100	0	N-E	N-E				
Beam Trawi	3	(0)	(96)	(4)						
Mini Euleo Not	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E				
Mini-Fyke Net	0	(79)	(1)	(20)						
Otter Trawl	14	0	100	0	N-E	N-E				
Out Hawi	14	(0)	(96)	(4)						

Table 23. Total number of quality size and greater (≥380 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N	Macrohabitat Macrohabitat													
		BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
Sturgeon Season (Fall through Spring)															
1 Inch Trammel Net	15	N-E	20 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	47 (38)	20 (30)	13 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	1 1	1 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	1 1	1 1	-	-	-	- -	-	-	- -
Otter Trawl	10	N-E	50 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	20 (33)	20 (27)	0 (9)	10 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	189	N-E	36 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	25 (32)	30 (30)	1 (4)	8 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	10	N-E	30 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	40 (35)	30 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	24	N-E	46 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	29 (34)	21 (32)	(3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 24. Total number of quality size and greater (≥380 mm) shovelnose sturgeon captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. Size categories described in Table 25. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N	Mesohabitat									
Gear	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG					
		Sturgeon Se	ason (Fall through	n Spring)							
1 Inch Trammel Net	1.5	0	87	13	N-E	N-E					
I inch I rammel Net	15	(0)	(97)	(3)							
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E					
2.3 men Hammer Net	_	-	-	-							
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E					
Dealii IIawi	_	-	-	-							
Gill Net	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E					
OIII NO	_	-	-	-							
Otter Trawl	10	0	90	10	N-E	N-E					
Ouci Hawi	10	(0)	(91)	(9)							
		Fish Comr	nunity Season (Su	ımmer)							
1 Inch Trammel Net	189	0	91	9	N-E	N-E					
I IIICII ITAIIIIIICI NEt	109	(1)	(86)	(13)							
Beam Trawl	10	0	100	0	N-E	N-E					
Dealli IIawi	10	(0)	(96)	(4)							
Mini Eylea Not	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E					
Mini-Fyke Net	0	(79)	(1)	(20)							
Otter Trawl	24	0	96	4	N-E	N-E					
Ouci IIawi	<i>24</i>	(0)	(96)	(4)							

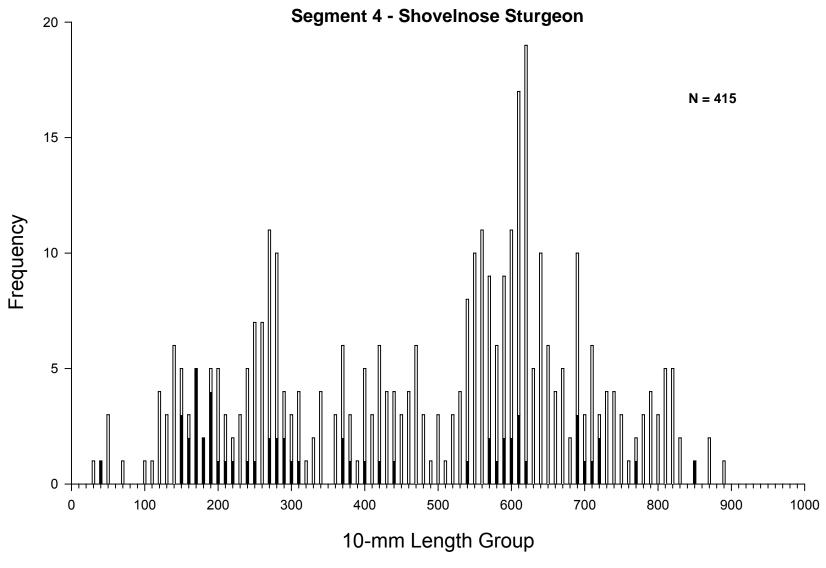


Figure 17. Length frequency of shovelnose sturgeon from fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Table 25. Incremental relative stock density (RSD)^a and mean relative weight (Wr) by a length category for shovelnose sturgeon in segment 4 of the Missouri River captured during 2005 – 2006. Length categories^b determined using methods proposed by Quist (1998).

Length category	N	RSD	Wr (+/- 2SE)
	Sturgeon Seas	son	
Sub-stock (0-149 mm)	1		
Sub-stock (150-249 mm)	20		116.998 (11.265)
Stock	11	31	117.389 (9.544)
Quality	4	11	88.753 (2.293)
Preferred	12	33	96.319 (3.609)
Memorable	8	22	86.71 (6.647)
Trophy	1	3	108.233
Overall Wr	57		106.143 (5.671)
F	ish Community	Season	
Sub-stock (0-149 mm)	20		119.212 (7.507)
Sub-stock (150-249 mm)	18		104.974 (5.421)
Stock	51	19	113.856 (9.274)
Quality	42	15	95.247 (5.814)
Preferred	101	37	94.572 (2.25)
Memorable	65	24	93.315 (3.09)
Trophy	15	5	87.157 (11.849)
Overall Wr	312		99.002 (2.376)

^a RSD = (# of fish of a specified length class / # of fish ≥ minimum stock length fish) * 100.

^b Length categories based on the percentage of the largest known shovelnose sturgeon: Substock FL < 250 mm (20 %), Stock FL =250-379 mm (20 – 36 %), Quality FL = 380 – 509 mm (36 – 45 %), Preferred FL = 510 - 639 mm (45 – 59 %), Memorable FL = 640 – 809 mm (59 – 74 %), Trophy FL > 810 mm (>74 %).

Sturgeon Chub

The highest catch per unit effort for sturgeon chub was with beam trawls (1.09 fish/100 m), followed by otter trawls (0.492 fish/net night) and mini-fyke nets (0.022). Catch per unit effort for sturgeon chub in the otter trawl and mini-fyke nets was higher in 2005 than 2006 (Figures 19 and 20). The majority of fish sampled with the otter trawl were found on inside bend macrohabitats (46%), followed by channel crossovers (26%), outside bends (16%), and large secondary channel macrohabitats (7%) (Table 26). In 2005, sturgeon chubs were more frequently sampled in outside bend macrohabitats (44%), followed by inside bends (24%), channel crossovers (16%), and large secondary channels (15%). Sturgeon chubs were captured more frequently in beam trawls in inside bend macrohabitats (56%), followed by channel crossovers (20%), outside bends (19%), and secondary channels. Only two sturgeon chub were sampled in mini-fyke nets. Fifty (19%) sturgeon chubs captured were in the 25 – 49 mm total length size range. There were 121 (47%) sampled between 50 mm and 74 mm, 40 (16%) between 75 mm and 99 mm, and one (.4%) 100 mm and greater in length (Figure 21). Last year's sampling resulted in 50 (32%) sturgeon chubs collected between the 25 – 49 mm total length size range. There were 67 (43%) sampled between 50 mm and 74 mm, 38 (24%) between 75 mm and 99 mm, and one (.06%) 100 mm and greater in length.

Segment 4 - Sturgeon Chub / Sturgeon Season

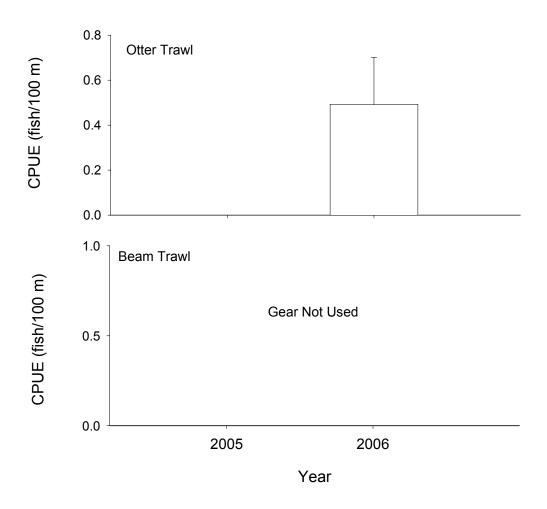


Figure 18. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sturgeon chub using otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sturgeon Chub / Fish Community Season

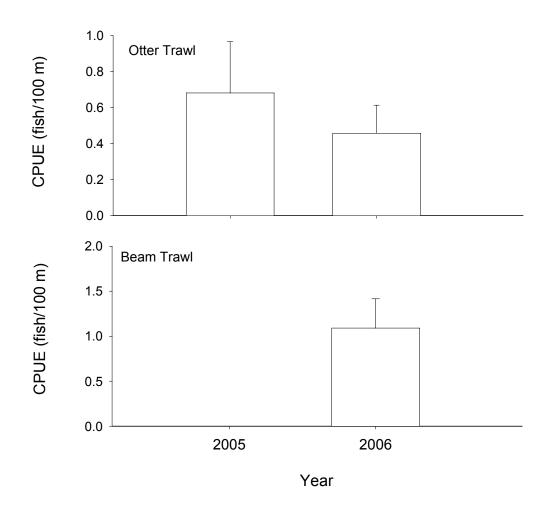


Figure 19. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sturgeon chub using otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

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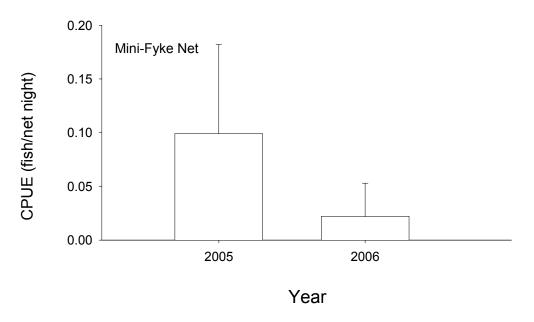


Figure 20. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sturgeon chub using mini-fyke nets and bag seines in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

Table 26. Total number of sturgeon chubs captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	- -	- -	- -	- -	-	- -	- -
Gill Net	-	N-E		-	N-E	N-E	1 1	1 1	-	-	-	- -	-	-	- -
Otter Trawl	115	N-E	17 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	41 (33)	18 (27)	17 (9)	7 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	266	N-E	20 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	56 (35)	19 (34)	3 (3)	(3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	2	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	50 (39)	0 (7)	50 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	140	N-E	34 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	50 (34)	15 (32)	0 (3)	1 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 27. Total number of sturgeon chubs captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Ccai	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	n Spring)		
1 I 1 T 1 N . 4	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 men Trammer Net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	-	-	-	-		
Gill Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
OIII Net	-	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	115	0	87	13	N-E	N-E
Ouer frawr	113	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	ımmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
i inch frammer net	U	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Daam Travyl	266	0	96	4	N-E	N-E
Beam Trawl	200	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Eyleo Not	2	100	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	∠	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	140	0	99	1	N-E	N-E
Juci Hawi	140	(0)	(96)	(4)		

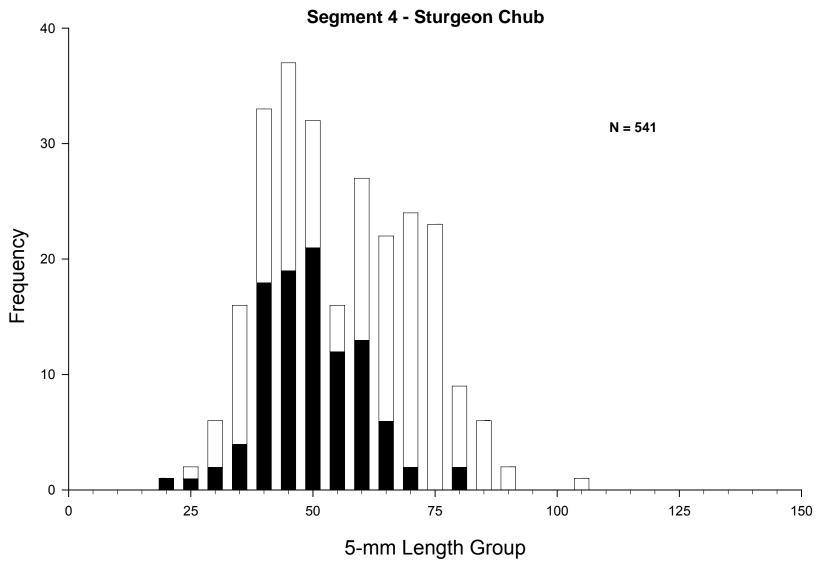


Figure 21. Length frequency of sturgeon chubs during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Sicklefin Chub

Catch per unit effort was highest for sicklefin chubs in the otter trawl (0.505 fish/100 m) during the fish community season, followed by beam trawls (0.378 fish/100 m) and mini-fyke nets (0.056 fish/net night) (Figures 23 and 24). One hundred (32%) sicklefin chubs were sampled in inside bend macrohabitats followed by 98 (32%) found in outside bends, 76 (25%) collected in channel crossovers, and 23 (7%) found in secondary channel macrohabitats (Table 28). Seven (3%) sturgeon chub were captured that were under 40 mm total length. Four (2%) were between 40-59 mm, 145 (65%) were between 60-79 mm total length, 60 (27%) were in the 80-999 mm size range, and four (2%) were above 100 mm in total length (Figure 25). In 2005, thirty two (10%) sicklefin chubs captured were in the 40 – 59 mm total length size range. There were 200 (67%) sampled between 60 mm and 79 mm, 52 (17%) between 80 mm and 99 mm, and 13 (4%) 100 mm and greater in length.

Segment 4 - Sicklefin Chub / Sturgeon Season

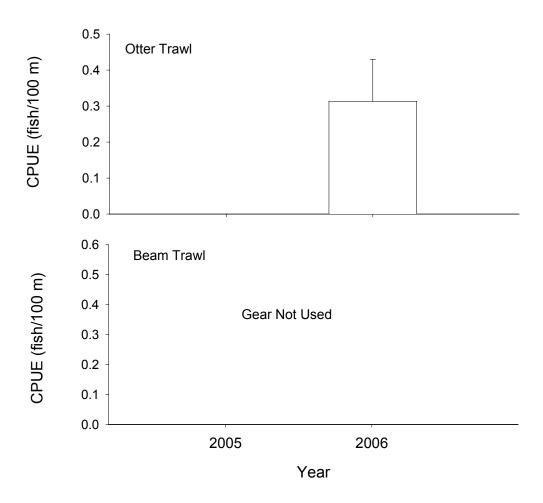


Figure 22. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sicklefin chub using otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sicklefin Chub / Fish Community Season

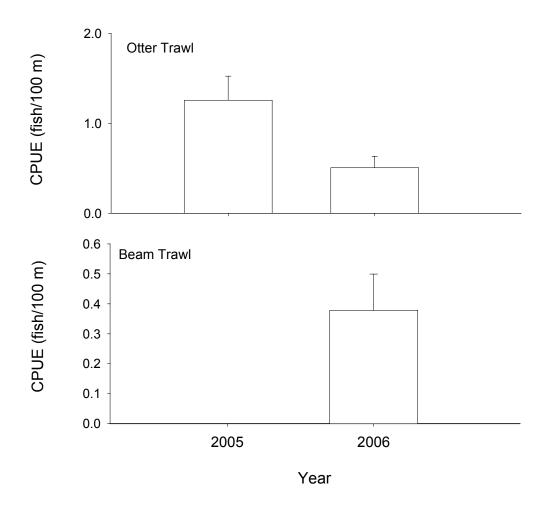


Figure 23. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sicklefin chub using otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sicklefin Chub / Fish Community Season

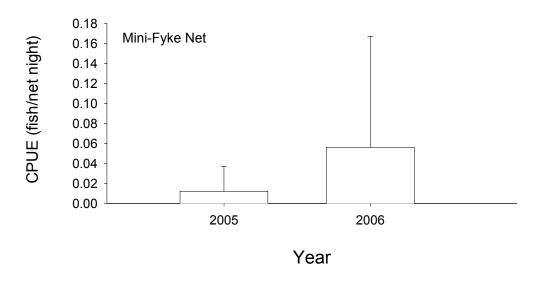


Figure 24. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sicklefin chub using mini-fyke nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

Table 28. Total number of sicklefin chubs captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro							
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	- -	N-E	N-E	- -	-	- -	- -	- -	- -	-	- -	- -
Gill Net	-	N-E		-	N-E	N-E	-	1 1	-	-	-	- -	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	76	N-E	20 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	34 (33)	33 (27)	12 (9)	1 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	81	N-E	20 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	30 (35)	36 (34)	10 (3)	5 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	5	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	100 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	146	N-E	31 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	31 (34)	30 (32)	4 (3)	4 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 29. Total number of sicklefin chubs captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the

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Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Ccai	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	ason (Fall through	n Spring)		
1 I1 T 1 N-4	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 mcn Trammer Net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Dealli IIawi	_	-	-	-		
Gill Net	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
diii ivet	_	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	76	0	95	5	N-E	N-E
Ouci IIawi	70	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
i inch frammer net	U	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	81	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Dealli ITawi	01	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Eylea Not	5	100	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	3	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	146	0	96	4	N-E	N-E
Juci Hawi	140	(0)	(96)	(4)		

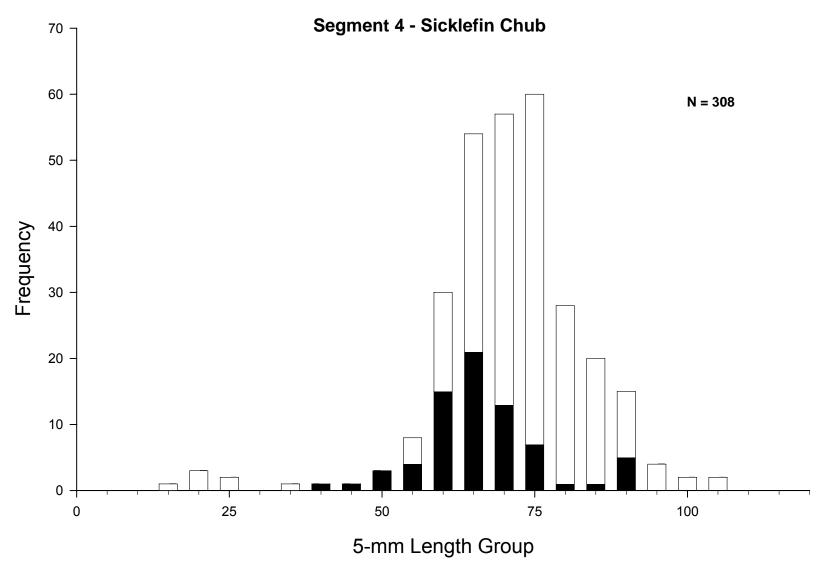


Figure 25. Length frequency of sicklefin chubs during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Speckled Chub

No speckled chubs were captured during the 2006 sampling season in segment 4.

Segment 4 - Speckled Chub / Sturgeon Season

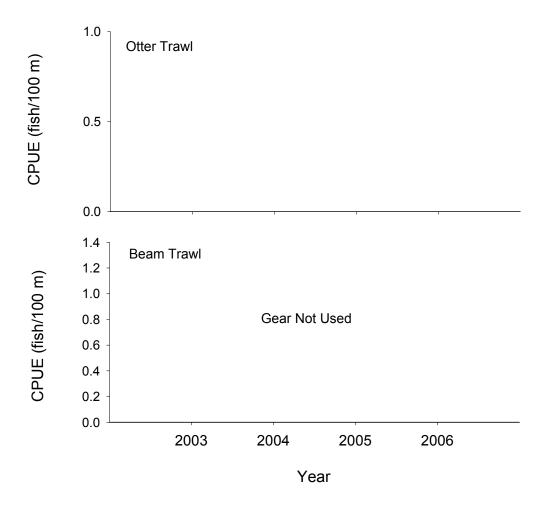


Figure 26. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of speckled chub using otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 -2006.

Segment 4 - Speckled Chub / Fish Community Season

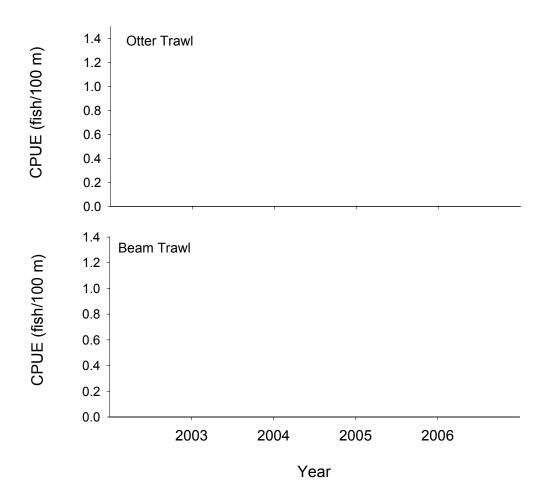


Figure 27. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of speckled chub in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 -2006.

Segment 4 - Speckled Chub / Fish Community Season

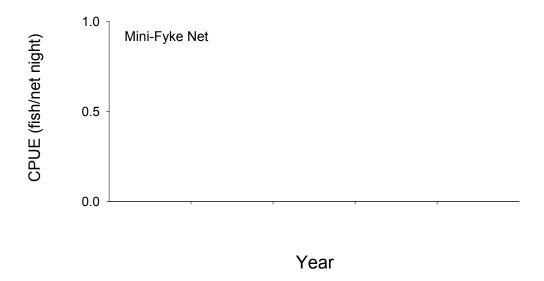


Figure 28. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of speckled chub using mini-fyke nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 -2006.

Table 30. Total number of speckled chubs captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N								habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (27)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (38)	0 (30)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	- -	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	- -	- -	-	- -	-	- -	- -
Gill Net	-	N-E	- -	-	N-E	N-E	1 1	1	-	-		- -	-	- -	- -
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0 (26)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (33)	0 (27)	0 (9)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0 (24)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (32)	0 (30)	0 (4)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0 (25)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (35)	0 (34)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mini-Fyke Net	0	N-E	0 (8)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (39)	0 (7)	0 (26)	0 (14)	0 (6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0 (28)	0 (0)	N-E	N-E	0 (34)	0 (32)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

Table 31. Total number of speckled chubs captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Gear	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	ason (Fall through	n Spring)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
i inch i rammei Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 men Trannner Net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	-	-	-	-		
Gill Net	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
dili Net	_	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci IIawi	U	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Comr	nunity Season (Su	ımmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
i ilicii i i allilliei Net	U	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Dealli IIawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Eyko Not	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	U	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci iiawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		

Sand Shiner

A total of five sand shiners were captured in 2006. Four were sampled in mini-fyke nets and one captured in the otter trawl.

Segment 4 - Sand Shiner / Sturgeon Season

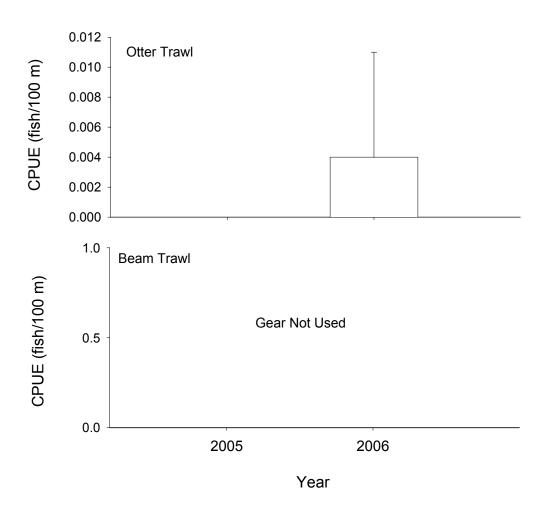


Figure 30. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sand shiner with otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 -2006.

Segment 4 - Sand Shiner / Fish Community Season

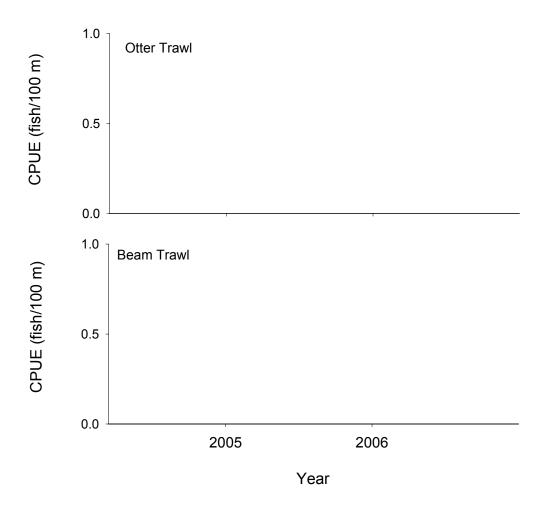


Figure 31. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sand shiner with otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 -2006.

Segment 4 - Sand Shiner / Fish Community Season

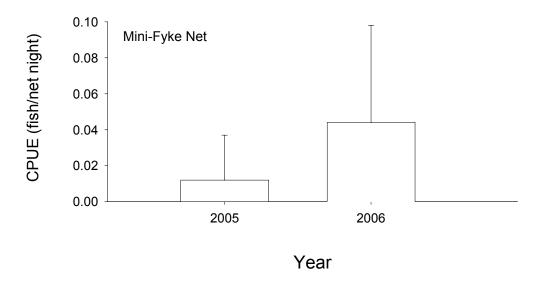


Figure 32. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sand shiner with mini-fyke nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Table 32. Total number of sand shiners captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Geal	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall	through	n Spring)					
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			(27)	(0)			(38)	(30)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
2.5 Inch Trammel Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-			-	-	_	-	-	-	_	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	1	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otter Trawr	1	N-L	(26)	(0)	IN-L	1 \-1 2	(33)	(27)	(9)	(5)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
	•				Fish	Commun	ity Sea		mmer)						
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			(24)	(0)			(32)	(30)	(4)	(9)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		1, 2	(25)	(0)	1, 2	1, 2	(35)	(34)	(3)	(3)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Mini-Fyke Net	4	N-E	25	0	N-E	N-E	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			(8)	(0)			(39)	(7)	(26)	(14)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			(28)	(0)			(34)	(32)	(3)	(2)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)

Table 33. Total number of sand shiners captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Ccai	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 I. d. T 1 N 4	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.5 men tranimer net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	-	-	-	-		
Gill Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Olli Net	-	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	1	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci IIawi	1	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 men 11ammei Net	0	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Deam Trawi	0	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Euleo Not	4	100	0	0	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	4	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Out Hawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		

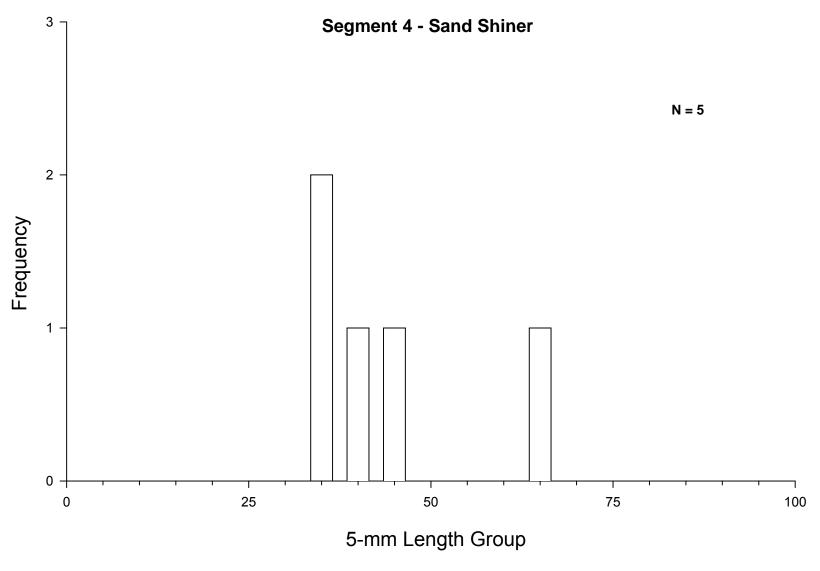


Figure 33. Length frequency of sand shiners during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Hybognathus spp.

A total of 289 *hybognathus spp.* were collected during the 2006 fish community season. No *hybognathus spp.* were sampled during the sturgeon season. Catch per unit effort (Figure 36) was greatest for mini-fyke nets (3.189 fish/net night) followed by otter trawls (0.007 fish/100 m). Over 99% (287) of *hybognathus spp.* were sampled in mini-fyke nets, while 1% (2) were captured in otter trawls. In 2005, 5826 *Hybognathus spp.* were collected in mini-fyke nets (68.98 fish/net night), bag seines (3.97 fish/m²), and otter trawl (0.032 fish/100 m). A large portion of fish (47%) were captured in two mini-fyke nets in 2005. The majority of 2006 *hybognathus spp.* were sampled in inside bend macrohabitats (69%). The bar mesohabitat was where most *hybognathus spp.* were sampled (Table 35). Over 43% of *hybognathus spp.* were between 25 - 49 mm total length (Figure 37), 31% were between 50 and 74 mm, 23% were between 75 and 99 mm, and 2% were between 100 – 125 mm in total length (Figure 37).

Segment 4 - Hybognathus spp. / Sturgeon Season

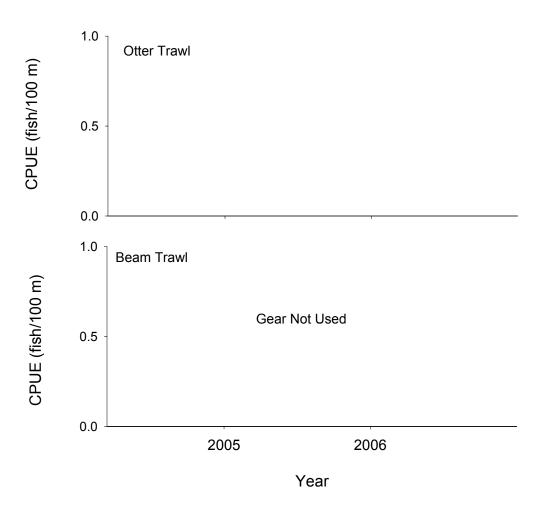


Figure 34. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of *Hybognathus* spp. with otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Hybognathus spp. / Fish Community Season

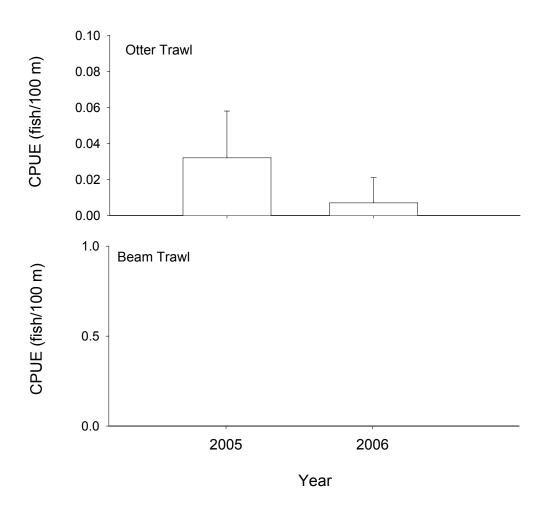


Figure 35. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of *Hybognathus* spp. with otter trawls and beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - *Hybognathus* spp. / Fish Community Season

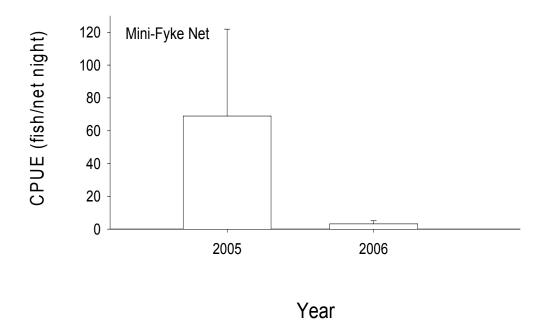


Figure 36. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of *Hybognathus* spp. with mini-fyke nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Table 34. Total number of *Hybognathus* spp. captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

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Gear	N							Macro	habitat						
Gear	11	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
					Sturge	on Seasor	ı (Fall 1	through	Spring)					
1 Inch	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trammel Net			(27)	(0)			(38)	(30)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
2.5 Inch	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trammel Net			-	ı			ı	ı	-	-	-	ı	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Deam Hawi			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GIII NCt			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otter Hawi			(26)	(0)			(33)	(27)	(9)	(5)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trammel Net			(24)	(0)			(32)	(30)	(4)	(9)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dealli IIawi			(25)	(0)			(35)	(34)	(3)	(3)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Mini-Fyke	287	N-E	7	0	N-E	N-E	69	0	7	9	3	0	0	5	0
Net			(8)	(0)			(39)	(7)	(26)	(14)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Otter Trawl	2	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			(28)	(0)			(34)	(32)	(3)	(2)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)

Table 35. Total number of Hybognathus spp. captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Geal	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	ason (Fall through	n Spring)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
I Inch Trammel Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 men Tranimei Net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Dealli ITawi	-	-	-	-		
Gill Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
diii NCi	-	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Ouci IIawi	U	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	nunity Season (Su	ımmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
i inch frammer net	U	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Dealli ITawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini Eyleo Not	287	90	0	10	N-E	N-E
Mini-Fyke Net	201	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	2	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Out Hawi	2	(0)	(96)	(4)		

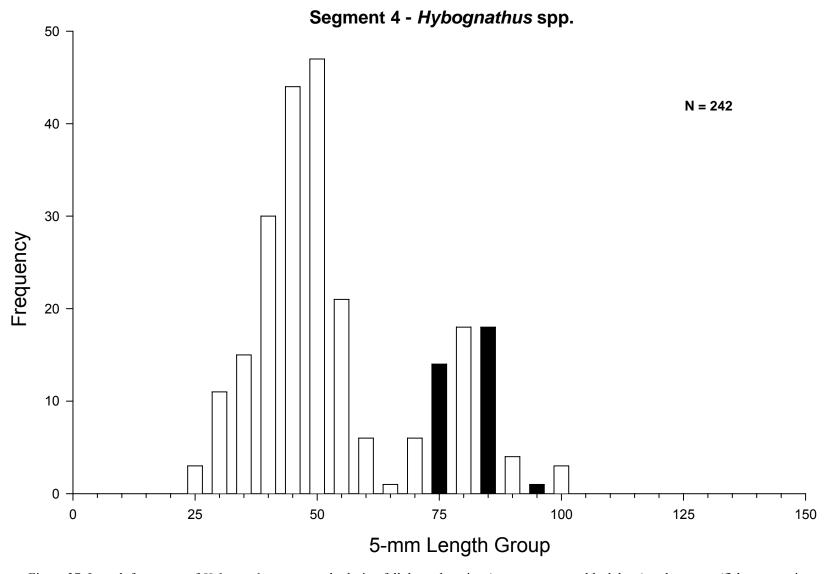


Figure 37. Length frequency of *Hybognathus* spp. caught during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Blue Sucker

Twelve blue suckers were captured during the 2006 fish community season and one during the sturgeon season. Ten blue suckers were captured in trammel nets (CPUE 0.05 fish/100 m) during fish community season. One was sampled in the otter trawl (CPUE 0.003 fish/100 m) during sturgeon season (Figure 38) and two were collected in the otter trawl (CPUE 0.005 fish/100 m) during the fish community season (Figure 41). One blue sucker sampled in the otter trawl during fish community season was sampled in the Yellowstone River 2.1 river miles from the confluence. Only four blue suckers were captured during the 2005 sampling season. All four were sampled during the fish community season with three captured in the trammel net and one in the otter trawl. In 2006, seven of the ten blue suckers sampled in trammel nets were found in channel crossover macrohabitats. The remaining three were captured in different macrohabitats: inside bend, outside bend, and large connected secondary channel. The blue suckers captured in the otter trawl were sampled in outside bend macrohabitats (Table 36).

Segment 4 - Blue Sucker / Sturgeon Season

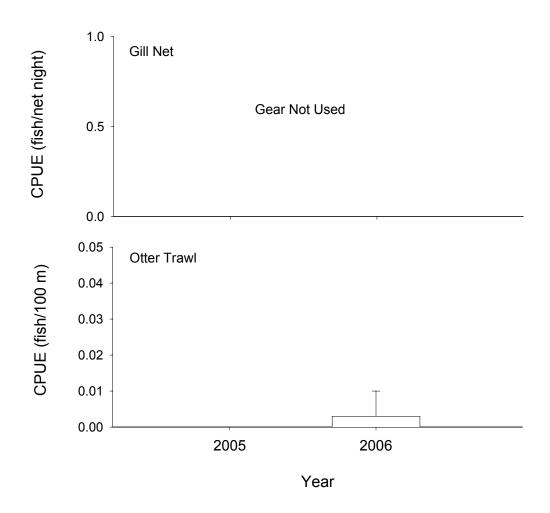


Figure 38. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of blue sucker with gill nets and otter trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Blue Sucker / Sturgeon Season

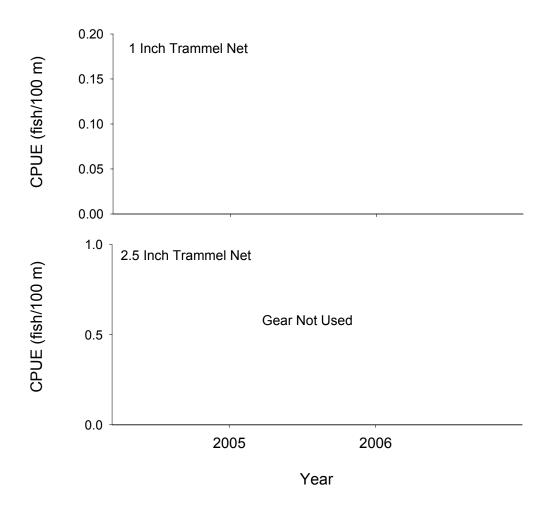


Figure 39. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of blue sucker with 1 and 2.5 inch trammel nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Blue Sucker / Sturgeon Season

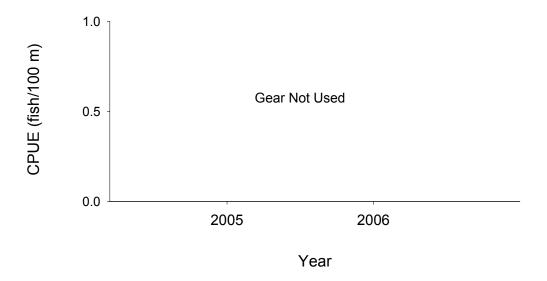


Figure 40. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of blue sucker with beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Blue Sucker / Fish Community Season

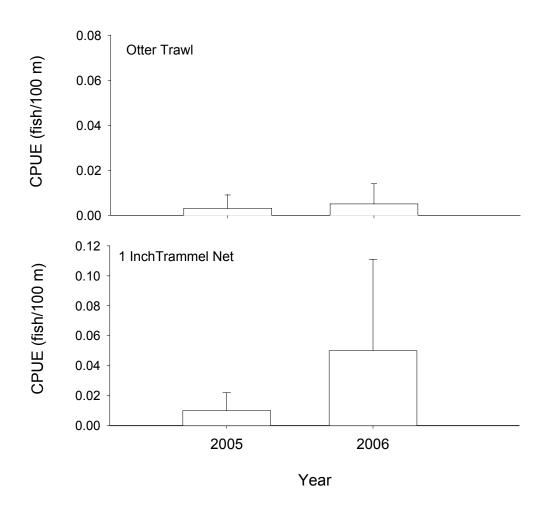


Figure 41. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (\pm 2SE) of blue sucker using otter trawls and 1 inch trammel nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Blue Sucker / Fish Community Season

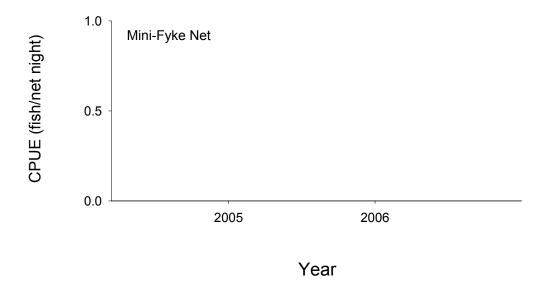


Figure 42. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of blue suckers using mini-fyke nets in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Blue Sucker / Fish Community Season

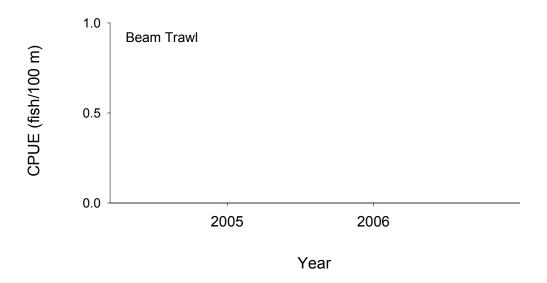


Figure 43. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of blue sucker using beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005 - 2006.

Table 36. Total number of blue suckers captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

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Gear	N	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
Sturgeon Season (Fall through Spring)															
1 Inch	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trammel Net			(27)	(0)			(38)	(30)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
2.5 Inch	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trammel Net			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawi			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gili i vet			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	1	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ouer mawn			(26)	(0)			(33)	(27)	(9)	(5)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch	10	N-E	70	0	N-E	N-E	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trammel Net			(24)	(0)			(32)	(30)	(4)	(9)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Beam Trawl	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dealli IIawi			(25)	(0)			(35)	(34)	(3)	(3)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Mini-Fyke	0	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net			(8)	(0)			(39)	(7)	(26)	(14)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Otter Trawl	1	N-E	0	0	N-E	N-E	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			(28)	(0)			(34)	(32)	(3)	(2)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)

Table 37. Total number of blue suckers captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 – 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N			Mesohabitat		
Geal	11	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)		
1 In als Transmal Nat	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
1 Inch Trammel Net	0	(0)	(97)	(3)		
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
2.3 men Tranimer Net	-	-	-	-		
Beam Trawl	_	-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	-	-	-	-		
Gill Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E
Olli Net	_	-	-	-		
Otter Trawl	1	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Ouel Hawl	1	(0)	(91)	(9)		
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)		
1 Inch Trammel Net	10	0	90	10	N-E	N-E
1 men Trammer Net	10	(1)	(86)	(13)		
Beam Trawl	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
Deam Hawi	U	(0)	(96)	(4)		
Mini-Fyke Net	0	0	0	0	N-E	N-E
willi-r yke inet	0	(79)	(1)	(20)		
Otter Trawl	1	0	100	0	N-E	N-E
Otter Trawr	1	(0)	(96)	(4)		

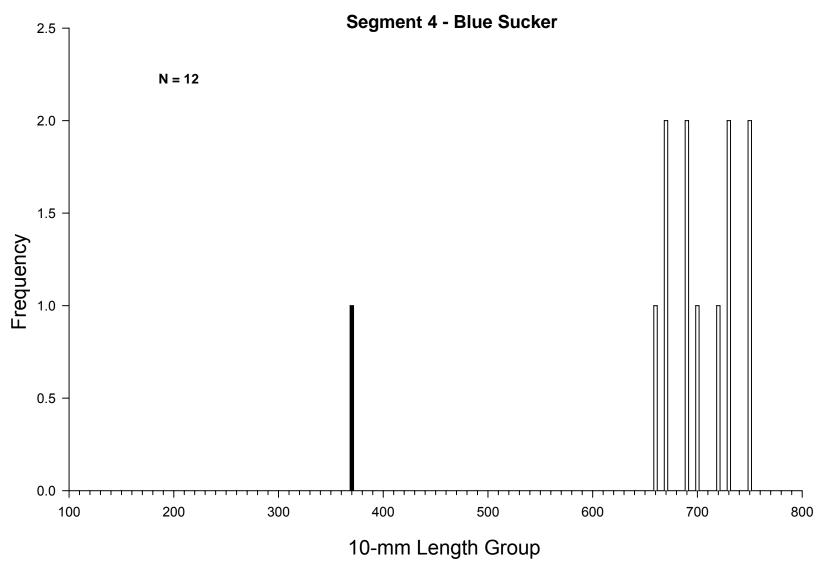


Figure 44. Length frequency of blue suckers during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Sauger

A total of 190 sauger were sampled during 2006 with 68 fish captured in mini-fyke nets, 72 in trammel nets, 19 in otter trawls, and six in beam trawls. Trammel net CPUE for sauger during the sturgeon season was 0.16 fish/100 m and 0.158 fish/100 m during fish community season. Otter trawl CPUE for sauger during the sturgeon season was 0.014 fish/100 m and 0.51 fish/100 m during the fish community season. Catch per unit effort of sauger in the beam trawl was 0.024 fish/100 m. For mini-fyke nets, CPUE was 0.756 fish/net night in 2006 and 1.284 fish/net night in 2005 (Figures 45-50). In 2005, CPUE of sauger in trammel nets during sturgeon season and fish community season was 0.057 fish/100 m and 0.217 fish/100 m, respectively. Over 35% (N=55) of sauger captured in 2006 were associated with inside bend macrohabitats, followed by 23% (N=36) sauger sampled in large secondary channels, 17% (N=26) in channel crossovers, and 15 % (N=23) in small secondary channels (Table 38). Over 40% (N=62) of the sauger sampled in 2006 were under 150 mm. Only two of these were sampled during the sturgeon season (Figure 51).

Segment 4 - Sauger / Sturgeon Season

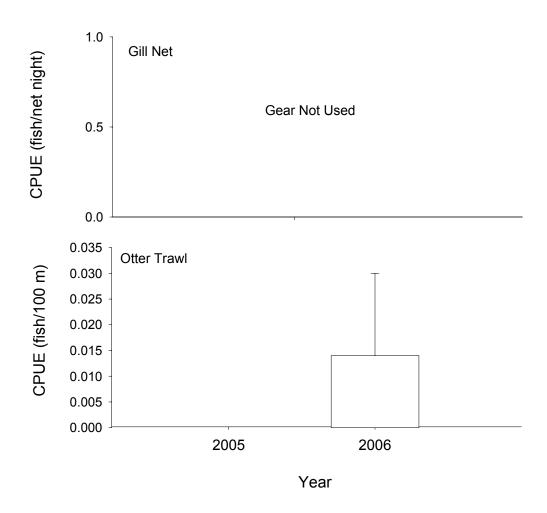


Figure 45. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sauger in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sauger / Sturgeon Season

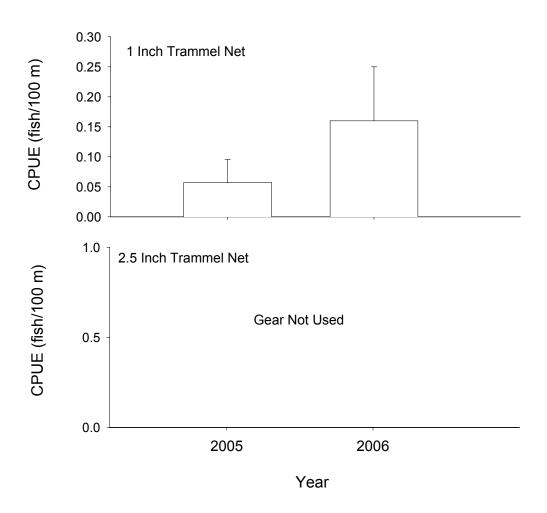


Figure 46. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sauger in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sauger / Sturgeon Season

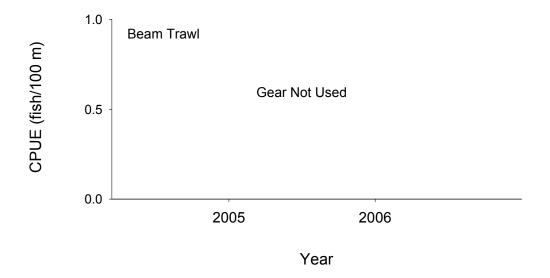


Figure 47. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sauger using beam trawls in segment 4 of the Missouri River during sturgeon season 2005 - 2006.

Segment 4 - Sauger / Fish Community Season

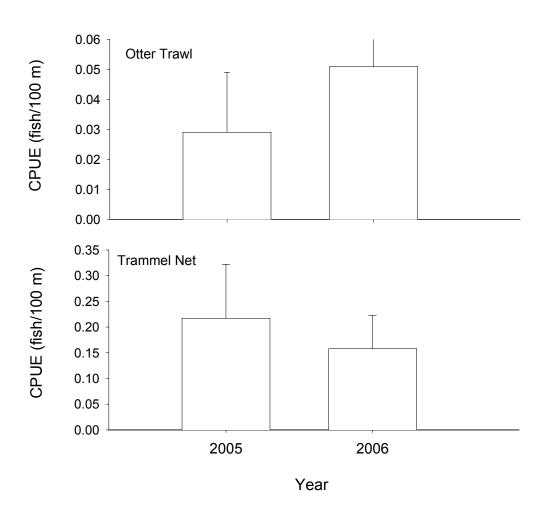


Figure 48. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sauger in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sauger / Fish Community Season

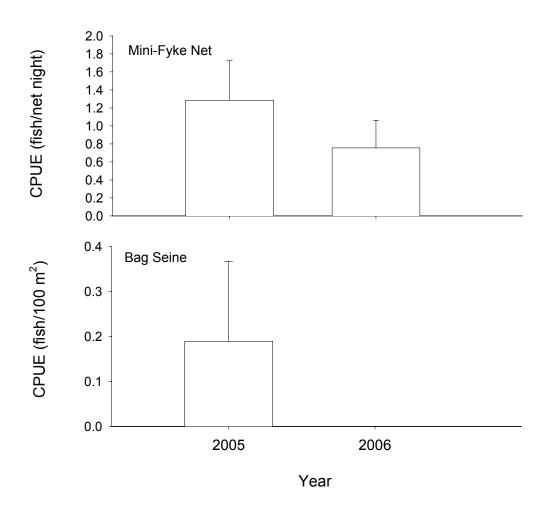


Figure 49. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sauger in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

Segment 4 - Sauger / Fish Community Season

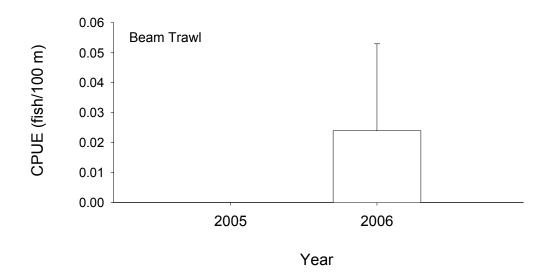


Figure 50. Mean annual catch-per-unit-effort (+/- 2SE) of sauger in segment 4 of the Missouri River during fish community season 2005-2006.

Table 38. Total number of saugers captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each macrohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

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Gear	N	BRAD	СНХО	CONF	DEND	DRNG	ISB	OSB	SCCL	SCCS	SCCN	TRIB	TRML	TRMS	WILD
	Sturgeon Season (Fall through Spring)														
1 Inch	32	N-E	28	0	N-E	N-E	44	16	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trammel Net			(27)	(0)			(38)	(30)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
2.5 Inch	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trammel Net			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawl	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beam Trawr			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gill Net	-	N-E	-	-	N-E	N-E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gili i vet			-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otter Trawl	4	N-E	25	0	N-E	N-E	25	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otter Huwi			(26)	(0)			(33)	(27)	(9)	(5)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
					Fish	Commun	ity Sea	son (Su	mmer)						
1 Inch	34	N-E	29	0	N-E	N-E	35	18	3	15	0	0	0	0	0
Trammel Net			(24)	(0)			(32)	(30)	(4)	(9)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Beam Trawl	6	N-E	17	0	N-E	N-E	50	17	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Dealii ITawi			(25)	(0)			(35)	(34)	(3)	(3)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Mini-Fyke	68	N-E	1	0	N-E	N-E	26	1	37	25	3	0	0	6	0
Net			(8)	(0)			(39)	(7)	(26)	(14)	(6)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Otter Trawl	14	N-E	21	0	N-E	N-E	50	7	21	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cuci Huwi			(28)	(0)			(34)	(32)	(3)	(2)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)

Table 39. Total number of saugers captured for each gear during each season and the proportion caught within each mesohabitat type in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006. The percent of total effort for each gear in each habitat is presented on the second line of each gear type. N-E indicates the habitat is non-existent in the segment.

Gear	N	N Mesohabitat						
Gear	IN -	BARS	CHNB	ITIP	POOL	TLWG		
		Sturgeon Se	eason (Fall through	Spring)				
1 I 1 T 1 N 4	22	0	91	9	N-E	N-E		
1 Inch Trammel Net	32	(0)	(97)	(3)				
2.5 Inch Trammel Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E		
2.5 men tranimer net	-	-	-	ı				
Beam Trawl		-	-	-	N-E	N-E		
Deam Hawi	-	-	-	ı				
Gill Net		-	-	-	N-E	N-E		
OIII NCt	-	-	-	ı				
Otter Trawl	4	0	100	0	N-E	N-E		
Ouci Hawi	4	(0)	(91)	(9)				
		Fish Com	munity Season (Su	mmer)				
1 Inch Trammel Net	2.4	9	74	18	N-E	N-E		
1 men Hammet Net	34	(1)	(86)	(13)				
Beam Trawl	6	0	83	17	N-E	N-E		
Dealli ITawi	0	(0)	(96)	(4)				
Mini Euleo Not	68	65	0	35	N-E	N-E		
Mini-Fyke Net	08	(79)	(1)	(20)				
Otter Trawl	1/1	0	86	14	N-E	N-E		
Otter Trawr	14	(0)	(96)	(4)				

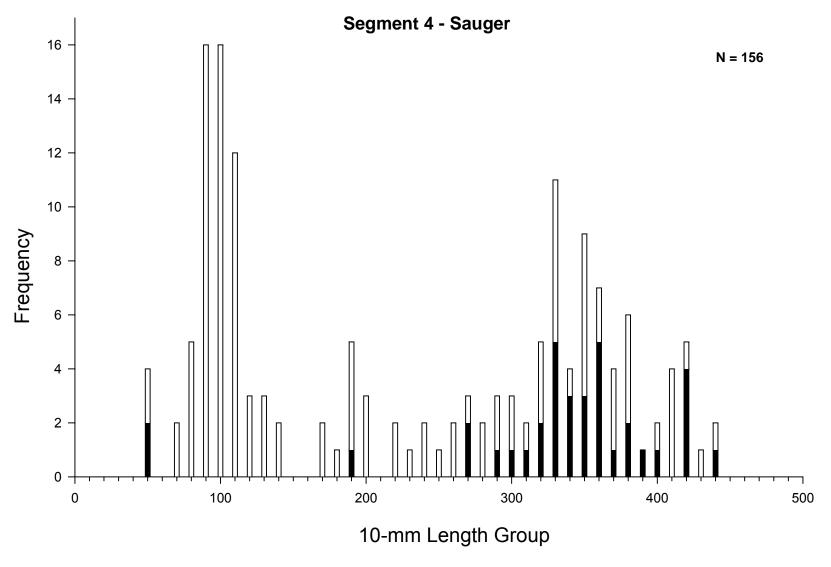


Figure 51. Length frequency of sauger during fall through spring (sturgeon season, black bars) and summer (fish community season, white bars) in segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005 - 2006.

Missouri River Fish Community

During the 2006 sampling season, 48,922 fish were sampled with standard gears in segment 4 of the Missouri River. Standard gears captured 29 different species of fish with emerald shiners contributing the largest percentage of total catch (91%, N = 43,623). Channel catfish were the next most abundant species (N = 1457), followed by flathead chubs (N = 693), white crappie (N = 558), and sturgeon chub (N = 541). More than 50 individuals were collected for 12 different species of fish. Twenty nine species were captured in multiply gears.

Trammel nets and otter trawls were the only gears deployed during the sturgeon season in 2006. A total of 1034 (427 in trammel nets, 592 in otter trawls) fish representing 18 species were captured in 48,086 meters of sampling (23,513 m TN, 24,573 m OT) (Appendices F2 and F4). Channel catfish (N = 254) were the most abundant species collected in trammel nets during the sturgeon season, followed by shovelnose sturgeon (N = 65) and sauger (N = 37). Additionally, trammel nets also collected goldeye (N = 30), bigmouth buffalo (N = 7), walleye (N = 7), pallid sturgeon (N = 6), smallmouth buffalo (N = 6), common carp (N = 5), river carpsuckers (N = 5), saugeye (N = 2), paddlefish (N = 1), stonecat (N = 1), and flathead chub (N = 1). The otter trawl sampled similar species of fish as trammel nets, including channel catfish (N = 312), shovelnose sturgeon (N = 33), stonecat (N = 19), pallid sturgeon (N = 1), flathead chub (N = 24), and common carp (N = 2). The otter trawl also sampled species of fish not collected with the trammel net including sturgeon chub (N = 115), sicklefin chub (N = 76), and emerald shiners (N = 10) during the 2006 sturgeon season (Appendix F).

During the fish community season, trammel nets captured 487 fish representing 15 species. There were 128 channel catfish collected in 23,376 meters of drifting. Shovelnose sturgeon (N = 233) comprised almost half of the catch, followed by goldeye (N = 35), sauger (N = 35), pallid sturgeon (N = 14), blue sucker (N = 10), and smallmouth buffalo (N = 9).

Otter trawls captured 911 fish representing 20 species during the fish community season in 30,412 m of sampling. Channel catfish (N = 401) were the most abundant species collected in otter trawls followed by sturgeon chubs (N = 157), sicklefin chubs (N = 146), and shovelnose sturgeon (N = 58). Seven species were sampled in the otter trawl that were not sampled in the

trammel net: sicklefin and sturgeon chubs, emerald shiners (N = 5), Hybognathus spp. (N = 3), white crappie (N = 5), sand shiner (N = 1), and white sucker (N = 1) (Appendix F4).

Mini-fyke nets collected more fish than any other gear used in segment 4. In 2006, there were 45,271 fish representing 20 species of fish. Emerald shiners (N = 43,623) were the most abundant species sampled, followed by flathead chubs (N = 510), white crappie (N = 377), *hybognathus* spp. (N = 287), and river carpsuckers (N = 277). Mini-fyke nets collected three species that were unique to that gear: fathead minnow (N = 29), white bass (N = 6), and burbot (N = 3) (Appendix F6).

In 2006, the beam trawl was implemented during the fish community season. In 24,074 m of sampling, the beam trawl caught 782 fish representing 15 species. Channel catfish (N = 325) were the most abundant species sampled in the beam trawl followed by sturgeon chub (N = 266), sicklefin chub (N = 81), and stonecat (N = 40). There were 26 shovelnose sturgeon and 18 flathead chubs captured in the beam trawl (Appendix F5).

Discussion

Twenty seven pallid sturgeon were sampled in 2006. Three adults were collected while the remaining 22 are of hatchery origin. With the exception of 40 fish in 1998 at the confluence, all pallid sturgeon stocked in RPMA 2 have been stocked upriver of segment 4. Since sampling began in 2005, seven known 1997-1998 year class pallid sturgeon have been sampled. All of these have been sampled below rivermile 1570, with six of these being captured below Highway 85 Bridge (RM 1552). Dispersion of hatchery reared pallid sturgeon does appear to be occurring.

The greatest number of pallid sturgeon were captured in inside bend macrohabitats; whereas in 2005, pallids were sampled more often in outside bend macrohabitats. Pallid sturgeon were most frequently captured in channel border mesohabitats, followed by island tips.

Trammel nets were again the most effective gear for sampling pallid sturgeon. In 2006, 20 pallids were captured in trammel nets and seven were sampled with the otter trawl. In 2005, 24 pallid sturgeon were collected in trammel nets and the remaining seven caught in the otter trawl. Trammel nets appear to be the most effective gear for catching larger (FL>250 mm) shovelnose sturgeon; whereas the otter trawl catches more sub-stock size (FL<250 mm) shovelnose sturgeon.

It appears that pallid sturgeon use the whole reach of river from the confluence to Lake Sakakawea as they have been sampled in every bend. There is also evidence that pallid sturgeon tend to aggregate in areas of the river due to the fact that over the past two years of sampling, several pallids have been captured in subsequent subsamples after one pallid is sampled. These aggregations have been found near secondary channel island tips as well as inside and outside bend macrohabitats.

The lack of pallid sturgeon in the 650-1000 mm size is indicative of the aging adult population and the recruitment of past stocking efforts in RPMA 2. It is important to continue monitoring these stocked fish as they reach sexual maturity as well as future stockings to determine survival and success of these stocking efforts.

There was an increase in shovelnose sturgeon catch in 2006 for all gears. Three of the four size classes showed an increase in catch. Although the beam trawl was added in 2006 to target substock (FL 0-149 mm) shovelnose sturgeon, there was a decrease in the number of sub-stock size class caught from 2005 to 2006. Since sampling techniques and standard gears remained the same between both years, this decrease in young of the year shovelnose sturgeon sampled may be the result of poor spawning conditions or lack of recruitment. Additional analysis and subsequent sampling should allow determination of conditions that promote sturgeon spawning success and recruitment.

Sicklefin and sturgeon chub were captured with both the otter trawl and beam trawl in 2006. Only five sturgeon chub and three sicklefin chub were sampled in mini-fyke nets. The beam trawl was as effective as the otter trawl in capturing sturgeon chubs (N = 266 BT, N = 255 OT). However, the beam trawl was less efficient than the otter trawl sampling sicklefin chubs (N = 81 BT, N = 222 OT). Sturgeon and sicklefin chubs were collected in all macrohabitats that were sampled.

The total number of sauger caught remained relatively unchanged from 2005 to 2006, with 173 sauger sampled in all gears combined in 2005 and 190 sampled in 2006. However, the addition of beam trawls and "delta" mini-fyke nets in 2006 accounted for 31 of the 190 sauger sampled. Mini-fyke nets proved to be effective at sampling smaller sauger (TL <150 mm), whereas the trammel nets appear to catch more of the larger sauger (TL >150 mm).

There was nearly a 200% increase in the number of fish sampled in 2006 versus the 2005 sampling year. Much of this increase can be attributed to the increase in emerald shiner catch in mini-fyke nets (43,623 in '06 vs. 12,125 in '05). Trammel net catch per unit effort of all targeted native Missouri River fish species was higher in 2006 versus 2005. During last year's sampling, we found that as the discharge from the Missouri and Yellowstone Rivers increased, the number of zero catches in trammel nets also increased. During the 2006 sampling season, the majority of trammel nets (78%) were deployed when discharge from the Missouri and Yellowstone Rivers was below 20,000 cfs, whereas in 2005, 37% of trammel nets were deployed below 20,000 cfs.

The initial analysis of the mini-fyke data shows that even though "ace" and "delta" nets were set in pairs in identical habitats and conditions, the standard "ace" mesh caught nearly four times the number of fish than the "delta" nets (45,271 vs. 12,418). Both nets caught the same number of species (N = 20) with two species being unique to each net. Sicklefin chubs (N = 5) were present only in "ace" nets and green sunfish (N = 2) were found only in "delta" nets. The "delta" nets proved more durable than the "ace" nets. Only one of the eight "delta" nets sustained any damage, whereas all eight "ace" nets had extensive holes and tears. Further analysis of the data is needed to determine the significance of the difference between "ace" and "delta" nets.

The 6' beam trawl was used during the fish community season in 2006. The U.S. Geological Survey in Fort Peck, Montana, has been using the beam trawl to sample standardized sites in the Missouri River below the Yellowstone River confluence for the past few years. They have found it be an effective gear for sampling young of the year sturgeon (Dr. Patrick Braaten, personal communication). We wanted to determine the beam trawls effectiveness of catching young of the year sturgeon and compare the results with the standard otter trawl. A cursory look at the data shows that beam trawl captured 13 species compared to 20 species in the otter trawl. The only species unique to the beam trawl was black bullhead (N = 1), whereas the otter trawl captured seven additional species not sampled in the beam trawl. There were no pallid sturgeon sampled in the beam trawl, while six pallids were captured in the otter trawl during fish community season, including an adult (FL 1410 mm). Catch per unit effort of sub-stock shovelnose sturgeon (FL <150 mm) was similar between the beam trawl and otter trawl (0.037 fish/100 m for the beam trawl, 0.036 fish/100 m for the otter trawl). An in depth analysis will be done to determine if there is a significant difference between the beam trawl and otter trawl.

The flexibility of the population assessment program allows for improvements in standard gears and the evaluation of new gears. For the 2007 sampling season, a new gear will be added on an experimental basis. The small mesh push trawl was developed to sample areas of the river that are too shallow to sample effectively with the otter trawl and too deep to set min-fyke nets. After the fish community season, the data will be analyzed to determine if the push trawl samples different species and sizes than the mini-fyke nets and otter trawl.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A. Phylogenetic list of Missouri River fishes with corresponding letter codes used in the long-term pallid sturgeon and associated fish community sampling program. The phylogeny follows that used by the American Fisheries Society, Common and Scientific Names of Fishes from the United States and Canada, 5th edition. Asterisks and bold type denote targeted native Missouri River species.

Scientific name	Common name	Letter Code
CLAS	S CEPHALASPIDOMORPHI-LAMPREYS	
	ORDER PETROMYZONTIFORMES	
	Petromyzontidae – lampreys	
Ichthyomyzon castaneus	Chestnut lamprey	CNLP
Ichthyomyzon fossor	Northern brook lamprey	NBLP
Ichthyomyzon unicuspis	Silver lamprey	SVLP
Ichthyomyzon gagei	Southern brook lamprey	SBLR
Petromyzontidae	Unidentified lamprey	ULY
Petromyzontidae larvae	Unidentified larval lamprey	LVLP
CLA	ASS OSTEICHTHYES – BONY FISHES	
	ORDER ACIPENSERIFORMES	
	Ascipenseridae – sturgeons	
Acipenser fulvescens	Lake sturgeon	LKSG
Scaphirhynchus spp.	Unidentified Scaphirhynchus	USG
Scaphirhynchus albus	Pallid sturgeon	PDSG*
Scaphirhynchus platorynchus	Shovelnose sturgeon	SNSG*
S. albus X S. platorynchus	Pallid-shovelnose hybrid	SNPD
	Polyodontidae – paddlefishes	
Polyodon spathula	Paddlefish	PDFH
	ORDER LEPISOSTEIFORMES	
	Lepisosteidae – gars	
Lepisosteus oculatus	Spotted gar	STGR
Lepisosteus osseus	Longnose gar	LNGR
Lepisosteus platostomus	Shortnose gar	SNGR
	ORDER AMMIFORMES	
	Amiidae – bowfins	
Amia calva	Bowfin	BWFN
	ORDER OSTEOGLOSSIFORMES	
	Hiodontidae – mooneyes	
Hiodon alosoides	Goldeye	GDEY
Hiodon tergisus	Mooneye	MNEY
	ORDER ANGUILLIFORMES	
4 177	Anguillidae – freshwater eels	43.4E7
Anguilla rostrata	American eel	AMEL

Scientific name	Common name	Lettter Code
	ORDER CLUPEIFORMES	
	Clupeidae – herrings	
Alosa alabame	Alabama shad	ALSD
Alosa chrysochloris	Skipjack herring	SJHR
Alosa pseudoharengus	Alewife	ALWF
Dorosoma cepedianum	Gizzard shad	GZSD
Dorosoma petenense	Threadfin shad	TFSD
D. cepedianum X D. petenense	Gizzard-threadfin shad hybrid	GSTS
 		
	ORDER CYPRINIFORMES	
Cy	prinidae – carps and minnows	
Campostoma anomalum	Central stoneroller	CLSR
Campostoma oligolepis	Largescale stoneroller	LSSR
Carassius auratus	Goldfish	GDFH
Carassius auratus X Cyprinius carpio	Goldfish-Common carp hybrid	GFCC
Couesius plumbens	Lake chub	LKCB
Ctenopharyngodon idella	Grass carp	GSCP
Cyprinella lutrensis	Red shiner	RDSN
Cyprinella spiloptera	Spotfin shiner	SFSN
Cyprinus carpio	Common carp	CARP
Erimystax x-punctatus	Gravel chub	GVCB
Hybognathus argyritis	Western slivery minnow	WSMN
Hybognathus hankinsoni	Brassy minnow	BSMN
Hybognathus nuchalis	Mississippi silvery minnow	SVMW
Hybognathus placitus	Plains minnow	PNMW
Hybognathus spp.	Unidentified Hybognathus	HBNS*
Hypophthalmichthys molitrix	Silver carp	SVCP
	Bighead carp	BHCP
Hypophthalmichthys nobilis Luxilus chrysocephalus	Striped shiner	SPSN
Luxitus enrysocephatus Luxilus cornutus	Common shiner	CMSN
	Bleeding shiner	BDSN
Luxilus zonatus	Western redfin shiner	
Lythrurus unbratilis		WRFS
Macrhybopsis aestivalis	Speckled chub	SKCB*
Macrhybopsis gelida	Sturgeon chub	SGCB*
Macrhybopsis meeki	Sicklefin chub	SFCB*
Macrhybopsis storeriana	Silver chub	SVCB
M. aestivalis X M. gelida	Speckled-Sturgeon chub hybrid	SPST
M. gelida X M. meeki	Sturgeon-Sicklefin chub hybrid	SCSC
Macrhybopsis spp.	Unidentified chub	UHY
Margariscus margarita	Pearl dace	PLDC
Mylocheilus caurinus	Peamouth	PEMT
Nocomis biguttatus	Hornyhead chub	ННСВ
Notemigonus crysoleucas	Golden shiner	GDSN
Notropis atherinoides	Emerald shiner	ERSN
Notropis blennius	River shiner	RVSN
Notropis boops	Bigeye shiner	BESN
Notropis buchanani	Ghost shiner	GTSN
Notropis dorsalis	Bigmouth shiner	BMSN
Notropis greenei	Wedgespot shiner	WSSN

Scientific name	Common name	Letter Code	
	Cyprinidae – carps and minnows	Code	
Notropis heterolepsis	Blacknose shiner	BNSN	
Notropis hudsonius	Spottail shiner	STSN	
Notropis nubilus	Ozark minnow	OZMW	
Notropis rubellus	Rosyface shiner	RYSN	
Notropis ruoctuus Notropis shumardi	Silverband shiner	SBSN	
Notropis stilbius	Silverstripe shiner	SSPS	
Notropis stramineus	Sand shiner	SNSN*	
Notropis topeka	Topeka shiner	TPSN	
Notropis volucellus	Mimic shiner	MMSN	
Notropis wickliffi	Channel shiner	CNSN	
Notropis spp.	Unidentified shiner	UNO	
Opsopoeodus emiliae	Pugnose minnow	PNMW	
Opsopoeodus emilide Phenacobius mirabilis	Suckermouth minnow	SMMW	
Phoxinus eos	Northern redbelly dace	NRBD	
	Southern redbelly dace	SRBD	
Phoxinus erythrogaster	Finescale dace	FSDC	
Phoxinus neogaeus			
Pimephales notatus	Bluntnose minnow	BNMW	
Pimephales promelas	Fathead minnow	FHMW	
Pimephales vigilax	Bullhead minnow	BHMW	
Platygobio gracilis	Flathead chub	FHCB	
P. gracilis X M. meeki	Flathead-sicklefin chub hybrid	FCSC	
Rhinichthys atratulus	Blacknose dace	BNDC	
Rhinichthys cataractae	Longnose dace	LNDC	
Richardsonius balteatus	Redside shiner	RDSS	
Scardinius erythrophtalmus	Rudd	RUDD	
Semotilus atromaculatus	Creek chub	CKCB	
	Unidentified Cyprinidae	UCY	
	Unidentified Asian Carp	UAC	
	Catostomidae - suckers		
Carpiodes carpio	River carpsucker	RVCS	
Carpiodes cyprinus	Quillback	QLBK	
Carpiodes velifer	Highfin carpsucker	HFCS	
Carpiodes spp.	Unidentified Carpiodes	UCS	
Catostomus catostomus	Longnose sucker	LNSK	
Catostomus commersoni	White sucker	WTSK	
Catostomus platyrhynchus	Mountain sucker	MTSK	
Catastomus spp.	Unidentified <i>Catastomus</i> spp.	UCA	
Cycleptus elongatus	Blue sucker	BUSK*	
Hypentelium nigricans	Northern hog sucker	NHSK	
Ictiobus bubalus	Smallmouth buffalo	SMBF	
Ictiobus cyprinellus	Bigmouth buffalo	BMBF	
Ictiobus niger	Black buffalo	BKBF	
Ictiobus spp.	Unidentified buffalo	UBF	
Minytrema melanops	Spotted sucker	SPSK	
Moxostoma anisurum	Silver redhorse	SVRH	
Moxostoma carinatum	River redhorse	RVRH	
Moxostoma duquesnei	Black redhorse	BKRH	
Moxostoma erythrurum	Golden redhorse	GDRH	
Moxostoma macrolepidotum	Shorthead redhorse	SHRH	
Moxostoma spp.	Unidentified redhorse	URH	

Scientific name	Common name	Letter Code
Catostomidae - suckers	Unidentified Catostomidae	UCT
	ORDER SILURIFORMES	
	Ictaluridae – bullhead catfishes	
Ameiurus melas	Black bullhead	BKBH
Ameiurus natalis	Yellow bullhead	YLBH
Ameiurus nebulosus	Brown bullhead	BRBH
Ameiurus spp.	Unidentified bullhead	UBH
Ictalurus furcatus	Blue catfish	BLCF
Ictalurus punctatus	Channel catfish	CNCF
I. furcatus X I. punctatus	Blue-channel catfish hybrid	BCCC
Ictalurus spp.	Unidentified <i>Ictalurus</i> spp.	UCF
Noturus exilis	Slender madtom	SDMT
Noturus flavus	Stonecat	STCT
Noturus gyrinus	Tadpole madtom	TPMT
Noturus nocturnus	Freckled madtom	FKMT
Pylodictis olivaris	Flathead catfish	FHCF
	ORDER SALMONIFORMES	
	Esocidae - pikes	
Esox americanus vermiculatus	Grass pickerel	GSPK
Esox lucius	Northern pike	NTPK
Esox masquinongy	Muskellunge	MSKG
E. lucius X E. masquinongy	Tiger Muskellunge	TGMG
	Umbridae - mudminnows	
Umbra limi	Central mudminnow	MDMN
	Osmeridae - smelts	
Osmerus mordax	Rainbow smelt	RBST
	Salmonidae - trouts	
Coregonus artedi	Lake herring or cisco	CSCO
Coregonus clupeaformis	Lake whitefish	LKWF
Oncorhynchus aguabonita	Golden trout	GDTT
Oncorhynchus clarki	Cutthroat trout	CTTT
Oncorhynchus kisutch	Coho salmon	CHSM
Oncorhynchus mykiss	Rainbow trout	RBTT
Oncorhynchus nerka	Sockeye salmon	SESM
Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	Chinook salmon	CNSM
Prosopium cylindraceum	Bonneville cisco	BVSC
Prosopium williamsoni	Mountain whitefish	MTWF
Salmo trutta	Brown trout	BNTT
Salvelinus fontinalis	Brook trout	BKTT
Salvelinus namaycush	Lake trout	LKTT
Thymallus arcticus	Arctic grayling	AMGL

Scientific name	Common name	Letter Code
	ORDER PERCOPSIFORMES	
	Percopsidae – trout-perches	
Percopsis omiscomaycus	Trout-perch	ТТРН
	ORDER GADIFORMES	
	Gadidae - cods	
Lota lota	Burbot	BRBT
	ORDER ATHERINIFORMES	
	Cyprinodontidae - killifishes	
Fundulus catenatus	Northern studfish	NTSF
Fundulus diaphanus	Banded killifish	BDKF
Fundulus notatus	Blackstripe topminnow	BSTM
Fundulus olivaceus	Blackspotted topminnow	BPTM
Fundulus sciadicus	Plains topminnow	PTMW
Fundulus zebrinus	Plains killifish	PKLF
	Poeciliidae - livebearers	
Gambusia affinis	Western mosquitofish	MQTF
	Atherinidae - silversides	
Labidesthes sicculus	Brook silverside	BKSS
	ORDER GASTEROSTEIFORMES	
	Gasterosteidae - sticklebacks	
Culaea inconstans	Brook stickleback	BKSB
	ORDER SCORPAENIFORMES	
	Cottidae - sculpins	
Cottus bairdi	Mottled sculpin	MDSP
Cottus carolinae	Banded sculpin	BDSP
	ORDER PERCIFORMES	
	Percichthyidae – temperate basses	
Morone Americana	White perch	WTPH
Morone chrysops	White bass	WTBS
Morone mississippiensis	Yellow bass	YWBS
Morone saxatilis	Striped bass	SDBS
M. saxatilis X M. chrysops	Striped-white bass hybrid	SBWB
	Centrarchidae - sunfishes	
Ambloplites rupestris	Rock bass	RKBS
Archoplites interruptus	Sacremento perch	SOPH
Lepomis cyanellus	Green sunfish	GNSF
Lepomis gibbosus	Pumpkinseed	PNSD
Lepomis gulosus	Warmouth	WRMH
Lepomis humilis	Orangespotted sunfish	OSSF
Lepomis macrochirus	Bluegill	BLGL
Lepomis magalotis	Longear sunfish	LESF
Lepomis microlophus	Redear sunfish	RESF
L. cyanellus X L. macrochirus	Green sunfish-bluegill hybrid	GSBG

Scientific name	Common name	Letter Code
	Centrarchidae - sunfishes	Coue
L. cyanellus X L. humilis	Green-orangespotted sunfish hybrid	GSOS
L. macrochirus X L. microlophus	Bluegill-redear sunfish hybrid	BGRE
Lepomis spp.	Unidentified <i>Lepomis</i>	ULP
Micropterus dolomieu	Smallmouth bass	SMBS
Micropterus punctulatus	Spotted sunfish	STBS
Micropterus salmoides	Largemouth bass	LMBS
Micropterus spp.	Unidentified <i>Micropterus</i> spp.	UMC
Pomoxis annularis	White crappie	WTCP
Pomoxis annuculatus	Black crappie	BKCP
Pomoxis spp.	Unidentified crappie	UCP
P. annularis X P. nigromaculatus	White-black crappie hybrid	WCBC
Centrarchidae	Unidentified centrarchid	UCN
	Percidae - perches	
Ammocrypta asprella	Crystal darter	CLDR
Etheostoma blennioides	Greenside darter	GSDR
Etheostoma caeruleum	Rainbow darter	RBDR
Etheostoma exile	Iowa darter	IODR
Etheostoma flabellare	Fantail darter	FTDR
Etheostoma gracile	Slough darter	SLDR
Etheostoma microperca	Least darter	LTDR
Etheostoma nigrum	Johnny darter	JYDR
Etheostoma punctulatum	Stippled darter	STPD
Etheostoma spectabile	Orangethroated darter	OTDR
Etheostoma tetrazonum	Missouri saddled darter	MSDR
Etheostoma zonale	Banded darter	BDDR
Etheostoma spp.	Unidentified Etheostoma spp.	UET
Perca flavescens	Yellow perch	YWPH
Percina caprodes	Logperch	LGPH
Percina cymatotaenia	Bluestripe darter	BTDR
Percina evides	Gilt darter	GLDR
Percina maculata	Blackside darter	BSDR
Percina phoxocephala	Slenderhead darter	SHDR
Percina shumardi	River darter	RRDR
Percina spp.	Unidentified Percina spp.	UPN
- FF	Unidentified darter	UDR
Sander canadense	Sauger	SGER*
Sander vitreus	Walleye	WLEY
S. canadense X S. vitreus	Sauger-walley hybrid/Saugeye	SGWE
Sander spp.	Unidentified <i>Sander</i> (formerly <i>Stizostedion</i>) spp.	UST
~	Unidentified Percidae	UPC
	Sciaenidae - drums	
Aplodinotus grunniens	Freshwater drum	FWDM
N	ON-TAXONOMIC CATEGORIES	WOME
	Age-0/Young-of-year fish	YOYF
	Lab fish for identification	LAB
	No fish caught	NFSH
	Unidentified larval fish	LVFS
	Unidentified	UNID
	Net Malfunction (Did Not Fish)	NDNF

Appendix B. Definitions and codes used to classify standard Missouri River habitats in the long-term pallid sturgeon and associated fish community sampling program. Three habitat scales were used in the hierarchical habitat classification system: Macrohabitats, Mesohabitats, and Microhabitats.

Habitat Scale		Definition	Code
Braided channel	Macro	An area of the river that contains multiple smaller channels and is lacking a readily identifiable main channel (typically associated with unchannelized sections)	BRAD
Main channel cross over	Macro	The inflection point of the thalweg where the thalweg crosses from one concave side of the river to the other concave side of the river, (i.e., transition zone from one-bend to the next bend). The upstream CHXO for a respective bend is the one sampled.	СНХО
Tributary confluence	Macro	Area immediately downstream, extending up to one bend in length, from a junction of a large tributary and the main river where this tributary has influence on the physical features of the main river	CONF
Dendritic	Macro	An area of the river where the river transitions from meandering or braided channel to more of a treelike pattern with multiple channels (typically associated with unchannelized sections)	DEND
Deranged	Macro	An area of the river where the river transitions from a series of multiple channels into a meandering or braided channel (typically associated with unchannelized sections)	DRNG
Main channel inside bend	Macro	The convex side of a river bend	ISB
Main channel outside bend	Macro	The concave side of a river bend	OSB
Secondary channel-connected large	Macro	A side channel, open on upstream and downstream ends, with less flow than the main channel, large indicates this habitat can be sampled with trammel nets and trawls based on width and/or depths > 1.2 m	SCCL
Secondary channel-connected small	Macro	A side channel, open on upstream and downstream ends, with less flow than the main channel, small indicates this habitat cannot be sampled with trammel nets and trawls based on width and/or on depths < 1.2 m	SCCS
Secondary channel-non-connected	Macro	A side channel that is blocked at one end	SCCN
Tributary	Macro	Any river or stream flowing in the Missouri River	TRIB
Tributary large mouth	Macro	Mouth of entering tributary whose mean annual discharge is > 20 m ³ /s, and the sample area extends 300 m into the tributary	TRML
Tributary small mouth	Macro	Mouth of entering tributary whose mean annual discharge is $< 20 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$, mouth width is $> 6 \text{ m}$ wide and the sample area extends 300 m into the tributary	TRMS
Wild	Macro	All habitats not covered in the previous habitat descriptions	WILD
Bars	Meso	Sandbar or shallow bank-line areas with depth < 1.2 m	BARS
Pools	Meso	Areas immediately downstream from sandbars, dikes, snags, or other obstructions with a formed scour hole > 1.2 m	POOL
Channel border	Meso	Area in the channelized river between the toe and the thalweg, area in the unchannelized river between the toe and the maximum depth	CHNB
Thalweg	Meso	Main channel between the channel borders conveying the majority of the flow	TLWG
Island tip	Meso	Area immediately downstream of a bar or island where two channels converge with water depths > 1.2 m	ITIP

Appendix C. List of standard and wild gears (type), their corresponding codes in the database, seasons deployed (Fall-Spring, Summer, or all), years used, and catch-per-unit-effort units for collection of Missouri River fishes in segment xx for the long-term pallid sturgeon and associated fish community sampling program. Long-term monitoring began in 20xx for segment xx.

Gear	Code	Туре	Season	Years	CPUE units
Trammel net – 1 inch inner mesh	TN	Standard	All	2003 - Present	fish/100 m drift
Trammel net – 2.5 inch inner mesh	TN25	Standard	Sturgeon	2005 - Present	fish/100 m drift
Gillnet – 4 meshes, small mesh set upstream	GN14	Standard	Sturgeon	2003 - Present	fish/net night
Gillnet – 4 meshes, large mesh set upstream	GN41	Standard	Sturgeon	2003 - Present	fish/net night
Gillnet – 8 meshes, small mesh set upstream	GN18	Standard	Sturgeon	2003 - Present	fish/net night
Gillnet – 8 meshes, large mesh set upstream	GN81	Standard	Sturgeon	2003 - Present	fish/net night
Otter trawl – 16 ft head rope	OT16	Standard	All	2003 - Present	fish/100 m trawled
Otter trawl – 16 ft SKT 4mm x 4mm HB2 MOR	OT01	Wild	Fish Comm.	2006 - Present	fish/100 m trawled
Push Trawl – 8 ft 4mm x 4mm	POT02	Wild	Fish Comm.	2006 - Present	fish/ m trawled
Beam trawl	BT	Standard*	All	2003 - 2004	fish/100 m trawled
Bag Seine – quarter arc method pulled upstream	BSQU	Wild	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/100 m ²
Bag Seine – quarter arc method pulled downstream	BSQD	Wild	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/100 m ²
Bag Seine – half arc method pulled upstream	BSHU	Wild	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/100 m ²
Bag Seine – half arc method pulled downstream	BSHD	Wild	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/100 m ²
Bag seine – rectangular method pulled upstream	BSRU	Wild	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/100 m ²
Bag seine – rectangular method pulled upstream	BSRD	Wild	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/100 m ²
Mini-fyke net	MF	Standard	Fish Comm.	2003 - Present	fish/net night

^{*} Standard only in upper Missouri River segments

Appendix D. Stocking locations and codes for pallid sturgeon by Recovery Priority Management Area (RPMA) in the Missouri River Basin.

State(s)	RPMA	Site Name	Code	River	RM
MT	2	Above Intake	AIN	Yellowstone	70 +
MT	2	Intake	INT	Yellowstone	70.0
MT	2	Sidney	SID	Yellowstone	31.0
MT	2	Big Sky Bend	BSB	Yellowstone	17.0
ND	2	Fairview	FRV	Yellowstone	9.0
MT	2	Milk River	MLK	Milk	11.5
MT	2	Mouth of Milk	MOM	Missouri	1761.5
MT	2	Wolf Point	WFP	Missouri	1701.5
MT	2	Poplar	POP	Missouri	1649.5
MT	2	Brockton	BRK	Missouri	1678.0
MT	2	Culbertson	CBS	Missouri	1621.0
MT	2	Nohly Bridge	NOB	Missouri	1590.0
ND	2	Confluence	CON	Missouri	1581.5
SD/NE	3	Sunshine Bottom	SUN	Missouri	866.2
SD/NE	3	Verdel Boat Ramp	VER	Missouri	855.0
SD/NE	3	Standing Bear Bridge	STB	Missouri	845.0
SD/NE	3	Running Water	RNW	Missouri	840.1
SD/NE	4	St. Helena	STH	Missouri	799.0
SD/NE	4	Mullberry Bend	MUL	Missouri	775.0
NE/IA	4	Ponca State Park	PSP	Missouri	753.0
NE/IA	4	Sioux City	SIO	Missouri	732.6
NE/IA	4	Decatur	DCT	Missouri	691.0
NE/IA	4	Boyer Chute	BYC	Missouri	637.4
NE/IA	4	Bellevue	BEL	Missouri	601.4
NE/IA	4	Rulo	RLO	Missouri	497.9
NE/MO/KS	4	Kansas River	KSR	Missouri	367.5
NE	4	Platte River	PLR	Platte	5.0
KA/MO	4	Leavenworth	LVW	Missouri	397.0
MO	4	Parkville	PKV	Missouri	377.5
MO	4	Kansas City	KAC	Missouri	342.0
MO	4	Miami	MIA	Missouri	262.8
MO	4	Grand River	GDR	Missouri	250.0
MO	4	Boonville	BOO	Missouri	195.1
MO	4	Overton	OVT	Missouri	185.1
MO	4	Hartsburg	HAR	Missouri	160.0
MO	4	Jefferson City	JEF	Missouri	143.9
MO	4	Mokane	MOK	Missouri	124.7
MO	4	Hermann	HER	Missouri	97.6
MO	4	Washington	WAS	Missouri	68.5
MO	4	St. Charles	STC	Missouri	28.5

Appendix E. Juvenile and adult pallid sturgeon stocking summary for segment 4 of the Missouri River (RPMA 2)

Year	Stocking Site	Number Stocked	Year Class	Stock Date	Age at Stocking ^a	Primary Mark	Secondary Mark
1998	Big Sky Bend	255	1997	8/11/1998	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
1998	Confluence	40	1997	8/11/1998	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
1998	Nohly Bridge	255	1997	8/11/1998	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
1998	Sidney	230	1997	8/11/1998	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2000	Culbertson	34	1998	10/11/2000	2 yr Old	PIT Tag	
2000	Fairview	66	1998	10/11/2000	2 yr Old	PIT Tag	
2000	Sidney	66	1998	10/11/2000	2 yr Old	PIT Tag	
2000	Wolf Point	34	1998	10/11/2000	2 yr Old	PIT Tag	
2000	Culbertson	89	1999	10/17/2000	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2000	Fairview	150	1999	10/17/2000	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2000	Sidney	149	1999	10/17/2000	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2000	Wolf Point	90	1999	10/17/2000	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2002	Culbertson	270	2001	7/18/2002	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2002	Fairview	270	2001	7/18/2002	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2002	Intake	199	2001	7/18/2002	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2002	Sidney	271	2001	7/18/2002	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2002	Wolf Point	269	2001	7/18/2002	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2002	Culbertson	317	2001	7/26/2002	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2002	Fairview	360	2001	7/26/2002	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2002	Intake	97	2001	7/26/2002	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2002	Sidney	427	2001	7/26/2002	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2002	Wolf Point	425	2001	7/26/2002	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2002	Intake	155	2001	9/18/2002	Yearling	PIT Tag	
2003	Culbertson	1033	2002	8/7/2003	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2003	Fairview	887	2002	8/7/2003	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
Year	Stocking Site	Number Stocked	Year Class	Stock Date	Age at Stocking ^a	Primary Mark	Secondary Mark
2003	Intake	1040	2002	8/7/2003	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer

2003	Wolf Point	926	2002	8/7/2003	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2004	Milk River	821	2003	4/13/2004	Yearling	Elastomer	
2004	Culbertson	523	2003	8/9/2004	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2004	Intake	347	2003	8/9/2004	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elasomer
2004	Sidney	397	2003	8/9/2004	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2004	Wolf Point	379	2003	8/9/2004	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2004	Larval Drift	30000	2004	7/2/2004	Fry		
2004	Larval Drift	50000	2004	7/8/2004	Fry		
2004	Larval Drift	25000	2004	7/20/2004	Fry		
2004	Larval Drift	25000	2004	7/23/2004	Fry		
2004	Larval Drift	25000	2004	7/27/2004	Fry		
2004	Culbertson	3819	2004	9/10/2004	Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2004	Sidney	2991	2004	9/10/2004	Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2004	Wolf Point	4040	2004	9/10/2004	Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2004	Mouth of Milk	3482	2004	10/15/2004	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2004	Intake	2477	2004	11/18/2004	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Culbertson	288	2004	4/12/2005	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Intake	309	2004	4/12/2005	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Wolf Point	271	2004	4/12/2005	Yearling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Intake	175	2004	8/19/2005	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2005	Brockton	229	2005	10/5/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Culbertson	226	2005	10/5/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Intake	456	2005	10/5/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Milk River	232	2005	10/5/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Sidney	122	2005	10/5/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
Year	Stocking Site	Number Stocked	Year Class	Stock Date	Age at Stocking ^a	Primary Mark	Secondary Mark
2005	Wolf Point	611	2005	10/12/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Brockton	371	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced fingerling		

2005	Culbertson	1736	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Culbertson	182	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling		
2005	Intake	313	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling		
2005	Milk River	845	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Mouth of Milk	371	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling		
2005	Sidney	105	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling		
2005	Wolf Point	1521	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Wolf Point	371	2005	10/13/2005	Advanced Fingerling		
2005	Culbertson	651	2005	10/19/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Intake	2120	2005	10/19/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Milk River	485	2005	10/19/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Sidney	882	2005	10/19/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2005	Wolf Point	650	2005	10/19/2005	Advanced Fingerling	CWT	Elastomer
2006	Culbertson	235	2005	3/28/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Intake	327	2005	3/28/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Mouth of Milk	134	2005	3/28/2006	Advanced fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Sidney	113	2005	3/28/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Wolf Point	232	2005	3/28/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Intake	970	2005	4/3/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2006	Sidney	314	2005	4/3/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2006	Culbertson	844	2005	4/5/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2006	Mouth of Milk	1007	2005	4/5/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2006	Wolf Point	866	2005	4/5/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Elastomer
2006	Culbertson	669	2005	5/1/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Scute Removed
Year	Stocking Site	Number Stocked	Year Class	Stock Date	Age at Stocking ^a	Primary Mark	Secondary Mark
2006	Intake	765	2005	5/1/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Scute Removed
2006	Mouth of Milk	650	2005	5/1/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Scute Removed
2006	Sidney	228	2005	5/1/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Scute Removed

2006	Wolf Point	653	2005	5/1/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Scute Removed
2006		1355	2005	5/1/2006	Yearling	PIT Tag	Scute Removed
2006	Culbertson	1544	2006	10/24/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Intake	1680	2006	10/24/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Mouth Milk	1117	2006	10/24/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Sidney	586	2006	10/24/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	Wolf Point	1553	2006	10/24/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	
2006	School Trust	436	2006	11/8/2006	Advanced Fingerling	Elastomer	

^aAge of fish when stocked: Fry, Fingerling, Yearling, 1yo, 2yo, 3yo, etc...

Appendix F
Total catch, overall mean catch per unit effort [\pm 2 SE], and mean CPUE (fish/100 m) by Mesohabitat within a Macrohabitat for all species caught with each gear type during sturgeon season and fish community season for segment 4 of the Missouri River during 2005-2006. Species captured are listed alphabetically and their codes are presented in Appendix A. Asterisks with bold type indicate targeted native Missouri River species and habitat abbreviations are presented in Appendix B. Standard Error was not calculated when N \leq 2.
Appendix F1. Gill Net: overall season and segment summary. Lists CPUE (fish/net night) and 2 standard errors in brackets.

Gear Not Used

Appendix F2. 1 Inch Trammel Net: overall season and segment summary. Lists CPUE (fish/100 m) and 2 standard errors in brackets.

	Total	Overall	СН		СО			SB	,	SB	,	CCL	SCCS	TRML
Species	Catch	CPUE	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	BARS	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	ITIP	ITIP	TLWG
ВКВН	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DKDII		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BMBF	9	0.021	0.006	N-E	0	N-E	0.041	0.041	0.018	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DIVIDI		[0.018]	[0.012]		[0]		[0.043]	[0.043]	[0.037]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BRBT	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DKD1		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BUSK*	10	0.027	0.078	N-E	0	N-E	0.006	0	0.018	N-E	0	0.077	0	N-E
DOSIK		[0.033]	[0.131]		[0]		[0.012]	[0]	[0.037]		[0]	[0.154]	[0]	
CARP	6	0.015	0.014	N-E	0	N-E	0.028	0	0.007	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
C2 HG		[0.013]	[0.028]		[0]		[0.029]	[0]	[0.013]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
CNCF	152	0.392	0.901	N-E	0	N-E	0.252	0	0.266	N-E	0	0	0.202	N-E
01101		[0.307]	[1.225]		[0]		[0.122]	[0]	[0.221]		[0]	[0]	[0.276]	
ERSN	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
LIGIT		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
FHMW	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
111111		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
FWDM	2	0.005	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
		[0.007]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
GDEY	54	0.14	0.116	N-E	0	N-E	0.164	0	0.016	N-E	0	0.129	0.197	N-E
		[0.061]	[0.096]		[0]		[0.141]	[0]	[0.022]		[0]	[0.178]	[0.205]	
HBNS*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0	[0]	[0]	N. F.	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	N. E	[0]	[0]	[0]	3.1.5
NTPK	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	2	[0]	[0]	ME	[0]	NE	[0]	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	[0]	[0]	ME
PDFH	3	800.0	0.021	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0.046	0	N-E
	4=	[0.009]	[0.032]	N. F.	[0]	N. T.	[0]	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	[0.092]	[0]	NE
PDSG*	17	0.041	0.033	N-E	0	N-E	0.06	0	0.023	N-E	0	0	0.119	N-E
	7	[0.023]	[0.04]	ME	[0]	NE	[0.047]	[0]	[0.034]	NE	[0]	[0]	[0.173]	ME
RVCS	7	0.012	0.015	N-E	0	N-E	0.024	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	•	[0.01]	[0.021]	N. F.	[0]	N. T.	[0.024]	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	[0]	[0]	NE
SFCB*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	NI TO	[0]	[0]	[0]	NI E	[0]	[0]	[0]	NI E
SGCB*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	

a .	Total	Overall	СН	XO	СО	NF	IS	В	OS	SB	SC	CL	SCCS	TRML
Species	Catch	CPUE	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	BARS	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	ITIP	ITIP	TLWG
SGER*	66	0.159	0.199	N-E	0	N-E	0.169	1.796	0.076	N-E	0	0.218	0.21	N-E
SGEK.		[0.054]	[0.134]		[0]		[0.095]	[0]	[0.047]		[0]	[0.313]	[0.187]	
SGWE	2	0.004	0.007	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.009	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
SOWE		[0.006]	[0.015]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0.018]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
SHRH	9	0.024	0.008	N-E	0	N-E	0.004	0	0.063	N-E	0	0	0.035	N-E
SHKH		[0.025]	[0.016]		[0]		[0.009]	[0]	[0.08]		[0]	[0]	[0.069]	
SMBF	7	0.014	0.019	N-E	0	N-E	0.024	0	0.004	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
SMDI		[0.012]	[0.027]		[0]		[0.03]	[0]	[0.009]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
SNSG*	254	0.617	0.822	N-E	0	N-E	0.533	0	0.581	N-E	0.287	0.368	0.836	N-E
BIAGG.		[0.142]	[0.408]		[0]		[0.188]	[0]	[0.241]		[0.575]	[0.277]	[0.64]	
SNSN*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
BIABIA		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
STCT	2	0.006	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.019	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
5101		[0.008]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0.027]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
UNID	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
ONID		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
USG	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
OBG		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
WLYE	12	0.022	0.008	N-E	0	N-E	0.027	0	0.037	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
WLIL		[0.016]	[0.017]		[0]		[0.032]	[0]	[0.036]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
WTBS	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
WIDS		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
WTCP	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
W ICI		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
WTSK	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
WISK		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	

Appendix F3. 2.5 Inch Trammel Net: overall season and segment summary. Lists CPUE (fish/100 m) and 2 standard errors in brackets.

Gear Not Used

Appendix F4. Otter Trawl: overall season and segment summary. Lists CPUE (fish/100 m) and 2 standard errors in brackets.

	Total	Overall	CH		CO	NF	IS	В	OS	В	SC	CL	SCCS	TRML
Species	Catch	CPUE	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	ITIP	ITIP	TLWG
ВКВН	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DKDII		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BMBF	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DIVIDE		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BRBT	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DKD1		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BUSK*	2	0.004	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.014	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DOSK.		[0.006]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0.02]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
CARP	4	0.01	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.018	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.066	N-E
CAIG		[0.011]	[0]		[0]		[0.02]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0.133]	
CNCF	713	1.683	0.985	N-E	0	N-E	1.515	N-E	0.857	N-E	0	0.981	10.55	N-E
CITCI		[0.745]	[0.536]		[0]		[0.774]		[0.393]		[0]	[1.056]	[9.937]	
ERSN	16	0.029	0.039	N-E	0	N-E	0.045	N-E	0.016	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
LIGHT		[0.02]	[0.052]		[0]		[0.041]		[0.024]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
FHCB	45	0.084	0.057	N-E	0	N-E	0.066	N-E	0.056	N-E	0.704	0.109	0.069	N-E
THOD		[0.039]	[0.043]		[0]		[0.035]		[0.059]		[0.791]	[0.143]	[0.139]	
FHMW	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
1 111/1 //		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
FWDM	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
I WDW		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
GDEY	17	0.029	0.01	N-E	0	N-E	0.039	N-E	0.005	N-E	0.375	0	0.197	N-E
ODLI		[0.029]	[0.02]		[0]		[0.058]		[0.01]		[0.618]	[0]	[0.205]	
HBNS*	2	0.004	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.011	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
112110		[0.007]	[0]		[0]		[0.023]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
NTPK	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
.,		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
PDFH	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	_	[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
PDSG*	7	0.014	0.033	N-E	0	N-E	0.011	N-E	0.007	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
		[0.012]	[0.041]	N. E	[0]	N. E	[0.016]	3.1.E	[0.015]	N. F.	[0]	[0]	[0]	NE
RVCS	8	0.014	0.019	N-E	0	N-E	0.017	N-E	0	N-E	0.049	0	0.034	N-E
		[0.01]	[0.022]		[0]		[0.019]		[0]		[0.098]	[0]	[0.069]	
SFCB*	222	0.411	0.431	N-E	0	N-E	0.395	N-E	0.428	N-E	0.712	0.208	0.283	N-E
	255	[0.088]	[0.151]	NE	[0]	NE	[0.14]	NI E	[0.203]	NI E	[0.462]	[0.298]	[0.305]	NE
SGCB*	255	0.474	0.467	N-E	0	N-E	0.633	N-E	0.282	N-E	0.646	0.348	0.561	N-E
	0	[0.13]	[0.165]		[0]		[0.342]		[0.135]		[0.392]	[0.475]	[0.46]	

Appendix F4 (continued).

	Total	Overall	СН	XO	СО	NF	IS	B		SB	SC	CL	SCCS	TRML
Species	Catch	CPUE	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	ITIP	ITIP	TLWG
SGER*	18	0.033 [0.016]	0.027 [0.026]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0.043 [0.031]	1.796 [0]	0.006 [0.011]	N-E	0.16 [0.214]	0.155 [0.204]	0 [0]	N-E
SGWE	2	0.004	0.01	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.007	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DO W.L.		[0.006]	[0.02]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0.013]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
SHRH	3	0.006	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.007	0	0	N-E	0	0.128	0	N-E
SIIICII		[0.01]	[0]		[0]		[0.013]	[0]	[0]		[0]	[0.255]	[0]	
SMBF	9	0.021	0.008	N-E	0	N-E	0.016	0	0.011	N-E	0.067	0	0.133	N-E
SIVIDI		[0.015]	[0.017]		[0]		[0.018]	[0]	[0.016]		[0.135]	[0]	[0.181]	
SNSG*	89	0.175	0.193	N-E	0	N-E	0.195	0	0.11	N-E	0.234	0.064	0.339	N-E
	4	[0.045]	[0.106]	ME	[0]	NE	[0.075]	[0]	[0.063]	NE	[0.173]	[0.128]	[0.277]	NE
SNSN*	1	0.002	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.006	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	66	[0.004]	[0]	NE	[0]	NE	[0]	[0]	[0.012]	NE	[0]	[0] 0.045	[0]	NE
STCT	66	0.117	0.048	N-E	0	N-E	0.036	-	0.297	N-E	0.049		0.052	N-E
	3	[0.119] 0.005	[0.059] 0.007	N-E	[0]	N-E	[0.037] 0.006	[0] 0	[0.397]	N-E	[0.098] 0.049	[0.09]	[0.104]	N-E
UNID	3	[0.006]	[0.014]	IN-E	0 [0]	IN-E	[0.012]	[0]	0 [0]	IN-E	[0.049	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
	0	0.000	0.014]	N-E	0	N-E	0.012	0	0	N-E	0.038]	0	0	N-E
USG	U	[0]	[0]	IN-E	[0]	IN-L	[0]	[0]	[0]	1 \- 1	[0]	[0]	[0]	IN-L
	1	0.002	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.006	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
WLYE		[0.004]	[0]	11 12	[0]	11 12	[0.012]	[0]	[0]	11 12	[0]	[0]	[0]	IV E
	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
WTBS	Ü	[0]	[0]	1, 2	[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	1, 2	[0]	[0]	[0]	1, 2
HITTOR	5	0.011	0.008	N-E	0	N-E	0.02	0	0	N-E	0.062	0	0	N-E
WTCP	-	[0.014]	[0.017]	•	[0]		[0.04]	[0]	[0]	•	[0.123]	[0]	[0]	
WEGI	1	0.002	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.006	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
WTSK		[0.003]	[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0.012]		[0]	[0]	[0]	

Appendix F5. Beam Trawl: overall season and segment summary. Lists CPUE (fish/100 m) and 2 standard errors in brackets.

	Total	Overall	СН	XO	СО	NF	IS	ВВ	OS	SB	SC	CL	SCCS	TRML
Species	Catch	CPUE	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	ITIP	ITIP	TLWG
BKBH	1	0.004	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.012	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DKDII		[0.008]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0.024]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BMBF	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DMDI		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BRBT	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DKD1		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
BUSK*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
DOM		[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
CARP	2	0.01	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.012	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0.147	N-E
Critici		[0.014]	[0]		[0]		[0.024]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0.294]	
CNCF	325	1.433	1.351	N-E	0	N-E	1.765	N-E	1.071	N-E	0.624	3.898	1.334	N-E
01,01	_	[0.43]	[0.846]		[0]		[0.766]		[0.709]		[0.222]	[6.569]	[1.887]	
ERSN	6	0.022	0.03	N-E	0	N-E	0.044	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	4.0	[0.027]	[0.06]		[0]		[0.047]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
FHCB	18	0.069	0.029	N-E	0	N-E	0.068	N-E	0.02	N-E	0.256	0	0.67	N-E
		[0.06]	[0.04]		[0]		[0.052]		[0.041]		[0.513]	[0]	[1.341]	
FHMW	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	N. F	[0]	N. F	[0]	N. E	[0]	[0]	[0]	
FWDM	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	_	[0]	[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
GDEY	2	0.009	0.015	N-E	0	N-E	0.015	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
		[0.012]	[0.03]		[0]		[0.029]		[0]		[0]	[0]	[0]	
HBNS*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	N. E	[0]	NE	[0]	N. E	[0]	[0]	[0]	N. F.
NTPK	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0	[0]	[0]	NE	[0]	N. E	[0]	NE	[0]	N. E	[0]	[0]	[0]	N. F.
PDFH	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0	[0]	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	[0]	[0]	N. F.
PDSG*	0	0	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	1	[0]	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	[0]	[0]	ME
RVCS	1	0.004	0	N-E	0	N-E	0	N-E	0.013	N-E	0	0	0	N-E
	0.1	[0.008]	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0]	ME	[0.025]	ME	[0]	[0]	[0]	N. F.
SFCB*	81	0.378	0.261	N-E	0	N-E	0.318	N-E	0.378	N-E	1.838	0.89	0.598	N-E
	200	[0.121]	[0.176]	NI ES	[0]	NI E	[0.176]	NI ES	[0.185]	NI ES	[3.676]	[0.675]	[0.514]	NI E
SGCB*	266	1.09	0.88	N-E	0	N-E	1.674	N-E	0.692	N-E	0.735	1.688	0.694	N-E
		[0.326]	[0.378]		[0]		[0.822]		[0.346]		[1.471]	[2.149]	[0.496]	

Appendix F5 (continued).

	Total	Overall	СН	XO	CO	NF	IS	SB	OS	SB	SC	CL	SCCS	TRML
Species	Catch	CPUE	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	POOL	CHNB	ITIP	ITIP	TLWG
SGER*	6	0.024 [0.029]	0.015 [0.029]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0.039 [0.078]	1.796 [0]	0.01 [0.021]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0.096 [0.192]	N-E
SGWE	0	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
SHRH	0	0 [0]	0	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0	0 [0]	N-E
SMBF	0	0 [0]	[0] 0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	[0]	0 [0]	N-E
SNSG*	26	0.116 [0.048]	0.118 [0.087]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0.126 [0.077]	0 [0]	0.072 [0.054]	N-E	0.992 [0.958]	[0] 0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
SNSN*	0	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
STCT	40	0.163 [0.108]	0.03 [0.042]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0.199 [0.207]	0 [0]	0.203 [0.228]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0.502 [0.597]	N-E
UNID	1	0.004	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0.011 [0.021]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
USG	1	0.004	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0.013 [0.025]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
WLYE	0	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
WTBS	0	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E	0 [0]	0 [0]	0 [0]	N-E
WTCP	5	0.021	0.017	N-E	0	N-E	0.033	0 [0]	0	N-E	0.256	0	0	N-E
WTSK	0	[0.021] 0 [0]	[0.034] 0 [0]	N-E	[0] 0 [0]	N-E	[0.049] 0 [0]	0 [0]	[0] 0 [0]	N-E	[0.513] 0 [0]	[0] 0 [0]	[0] 0 [0]	N-E

Appendix F6. Mini-fyke Net: overall season and segment summary. Lists CPUE (fish/net night) and 2 standard errors in brackets.

	Total	Overall	CHXO	ISB	OSB	SCO			CS	SCCN	TRMS
Species	Catch	CPUE	BARS	BARS	BARS	BARS	ITIP	BARS	ITIP	BARS	BARS
ВКВН	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DIXDII		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
BMBF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIVIBI		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
BRBT	3	0.033	0	0.057	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0
		[0.038]	[0]	[0.08]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0.4]	[0]
BUSK*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	10	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
CARP	10	0.111	0	0.057	0	0.091	0.583	0	0	0	0
	25	[0.159]	[0]	[0.08]	[0]	[0.182]	[1.167]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
CNCF	25	0.278	0	0.543	0	0.091	0	0	0.667	0.2	0
	43623	[0.195] 484.7	[0] 2825.714	[0.459] 385.971	[0] 213.8	[0.182] 75.455	[0] 37.417	[0] 567	[0.843] 83.667	[0.4] 696.8	[0]
ERSN	43023	[332.81]	[3419.635]	[359.805]	249.014]	[109.903]	[47.296]	[945.682]	[158.162]	[1021.432]	16
	510	5.667	17.143	[339.803] 4.8	249.014]	1.727	4.75	5.571	6.167	8.4	[0] 1
FHCB	310	[2.355]	[23.75]	[2.3]	[1.939]	[1.404]	[3.909]	[7.89]	[7.805]	[10.67]	[0]
	29	0.322	$\begin{bmatrix} 23.73 \end{bmatrix}$	0.257	0.4	0.455	0.167	0	1.667	0	[0] 1
FHMW	2)	[0.23]	[0]	[0.222]	[0.49]	[0.495]	[0.333]	[0]	[2.951]	[0]	[0]
	4	0.044	0.143	0.029	0.2	0.091	0.3331	0	0	0	0
FWDM		[0.044]	[0.286]	[0.057]	[0.4]	[0.182]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
	21	0.233	0.286	0.086	0	0.091	0.417	0.143	0.667	0.6	2
GDEY		[0.013]	[0.369]	[0.126]	[0]	[0.182]	[0.52]	[0.286]	[0.989]	[0.8]	[0]
	287	3.189	2.857	5.657	0.2	1	0.75	1	3.167	1.6	14
HBNS*		[1.892]	[3.16]	[4.541]	[0.4]	[1.618]	[0.657]	[0.617]	[5.548]	[3.2]	[0]
N IZEDIZ	3	0.033	0	0.057	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
NTPK		[0.038]	[0]	[80.0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
DDEH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PDFH		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
PDSG*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PD5G*		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
RVCS	277	3.078	1.429	3.114	0	1.455	3.167	2.571	6.833	4.8	1
RVCS		[1.065]	[1.625]	[1.629]	[0]	[1.588]	[2.728]	[1.738]	[8.678]	[3.37]	[0]
SFCB*	5	0.056	0	0.143	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SI CD.		[0.111]	[0]	[0.286]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
SGCB*	2	0.022	0	0.029	0	0.091	0	0	0	0	0
		[0.031]	[0]	[0.057]	[0]	[0.182]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]

Appendix F6 (continued).

	Total	Overall -	CHXO	ISB	OSB	SCO	CL	SC	CCS	SCCN	TRMS
Species	Catch	CPUE	BARS	BARS	BARS	BARS	ITIP	BARS	ITIP	BARS	BARS
SGER*	68	0.756 [0.304]	0.143 [0.286]	0.514 [0.405]	0.2 [0.4]	1 [0.661]	1.167 [1.202]	1 [0.976]	1.667 [2.171]	0.4 [0.8]	4 [0]
SGWE	0	0.50-1	0.200]	0.402]	0	0	0	()	0	()	0
	Ü	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
CLIDII	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SHRH		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
CMDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SMBF		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
SNSG*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
CNICNI#	4	0.044	0.143	0.086	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNSN*		[0.054]	[0.286]	[0.126]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
STCT	5	0.056	0	0.029	0.2	0	0	0.143	0	0	0
SICI		[0.058]	[0]	[0.057]	[0.4]	[0]	[0]	[0.286]	[0]	[0]	[0]
UNID	9	0.1	0	0.029	0	0	0	0.143	0.677	0.6	0
UNID		[0.114]	[0]	[0.057]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0.286]	[1.333]	[1.2]	[0]
USG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USU		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
WLYE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WLIL		[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
WTBS	6	0.067	0	0.143	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0
WIDS		[0.069]	[0]	[0.167]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0.4]	[0]
WTCP	377	4.189	0.143	3.714	0.4	6.727	4.833	0.714	8.5	1.4	49
WICI		[2.342]	[0.286]	[3.851]	[0.8]	[8.52]	[5.221]	[1.131]	[12.042]	[2.8]	[0]
WTSK	2	0.022	0	0.029	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0
		[0.031]	[0]	[0.057]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0.4]	[0]

Appendix G. Hatchery names, locations, and abbreviations.

Hatchery	State	Abbreviation
Blind Pony State Fish Hatchery	MO	BYP
Neosho National Fish Hatchery	MO	NEO
Gavins Point National Fish Hatchery	SD	GAV
Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery	ND	GAR
Miles City State Fish Hatchery	MT	МСН
Blue Water State Fish Hatchery	MT	BLU
Bozeman Fish Technology Center	MT	BFT
Fort Peck State Fish Hatchery	MT	FPH

Appendix H. Alphabetic list of Missouri River fishes with total catch-per-unit-effort by gear type for sturgeon season (fall through spring) and fish community season (summer) during 2005 – 2006 for segment 4 of the Missouri River. Species codes are located in Appendix A. Asterisks and bold type denote targeted native Missouri River species.

Species		Season (Fall th		Fish Community Season (Summer)				
Code	1 Inch Trammel Net	2.5 Inch Trammel Net	Gill Net Otter Trawl	1 Inch Trammel Net	Mini-Fyke Net	Otter Trawl	Beam Trawl	
BKBH	0		0	0	0	0	0.004	
BMBF	0.034		0	0.01	0	0	0	
BRBT	0		0	0	0.033	0	0	
BUSK	0		0.003	0.05	0	0.005	0	
CARP	0.007		0.012	0.021	0.111	0.008	0.01	
CNCF	0.129		1.993	0.609	0.278	1.384	1.433	
ERSN	0		0.04	0	484.7	0.019	0.022	
FHCB	0		0.093	0	5.667	0.075	0.069	
FHMW	0		0	0	0.322	0	0	
FWDM	0		0	0.008	0.044	0	0	
GDEY	0.124		0.003	0.152	0.233	0.055	0.009	
HBNS	0		0	0	3.189	0.007	0	
NTPK	0		0	0	0.033	0	0	
PDFH	0.006		0	0.009	0	0	0	
PDSG	0.017		0.004	0.06	0	0.024	0	
RVCS	0.017		0.007	0.007	3.078	0.021	0.004	
SFCB	0		0.313	0	0.056	0.505	0.378	
SGCB	0		0.492	0	0.022	0.457	1.09	
SGER	0.16		0.014	0.158	0.756	0.051	0.024	
SGWE	0.01		0	0	0	0.009	0	
SHRH	0		0	0.044	0	0.013	0	
SMBF	0.025		0.036	0.005	0	0.007	0	
SNSG	0.129		0.156	1.021	0	0.194	0.116	
SNSN	0		0.004	0	0.044	0	0	
STCT	0.007		0.077	0.004	0.056	0.156	0.163	
UNID	0		0.011	0	0.1	0	0.004	
WLYE	0.029		0	0.017	0	0.004	0	
WTBS	0		0	0	0.067	0	0	
WTCP	0		0	0	4.189	0.021	0.021	
WTSK	0		0	0	0.022	0.003	0	

Appendix I. Comprehensive list of bend numbers and bend river miles for segment 4 of the Missouri River comparing bend selection for both sturgeon season (ST) and fish community season (FCS) between years from 2005 – 2006.

Bend Number	Bend River Mile	2005	2006
1	1582.1	ST,FCS	
2	1580.8		ST,FCS
3	1578.6	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
4	1577.0		
5	1575.8	ST,FCS	
6	1574.9	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
7	1574.2	ST,FCS	
8	1569.1		ST,FCS
9	1567.2		ST,FCS
10	1565.5	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
11	1563.2		
12	1562.3	ST,FCS	
13	1560.3		
14	1558.0		ST,FCS
15	1555.8		ST,FCS
16	1553.1	ST,FCS	
17	1551.3	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
18	1549.2	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
19	1548.3		
20	1544.5	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
21	1538.8	ST,FCS	ST,FCS
22	1534.0		